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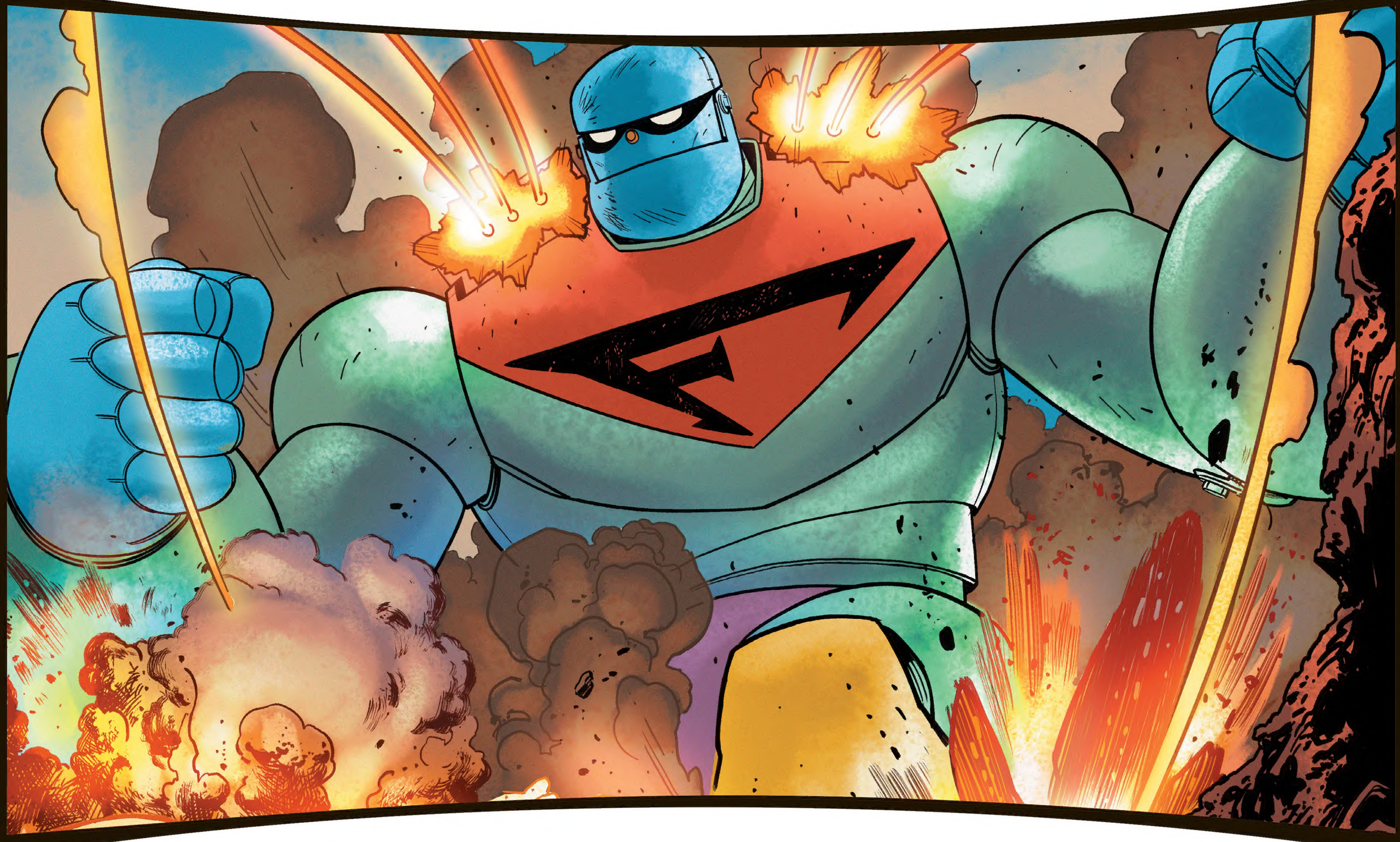

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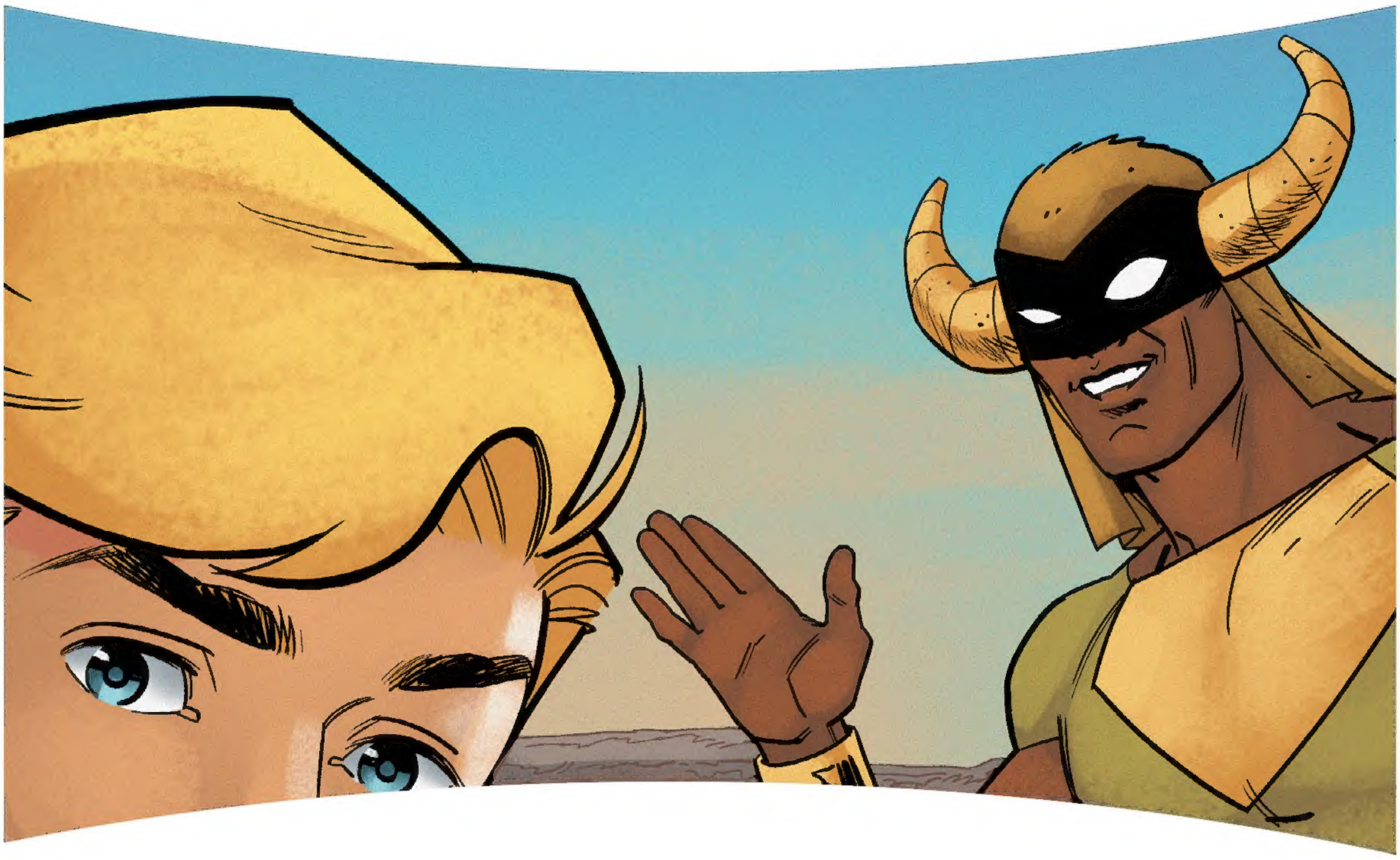

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--WE NOW GO TO THE **INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION** WHERE THE CREW ARE SEEING MANY OF THE ENERGY BURSTS ALL THE WAY FROM FOUR HUNDRED KILOMETERS--

YES, LONDON--THE PHENOMENA SEEM TO BE HOLDING THEIR POSITIONS FOR MOST OF THE PAST 24 HOURS.

IT MAKES QUITE A LIGHT SHOW FROM UP HERE!

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THE UNITED NATIONS.

AND BACK ON TERRA FIRMA, THE U.N. HAS CONVENED AN EMERGENCY MEETING--

WE'VE LEARNED ONE SCIENTIST HAD BEEN FOCUSING ON THE PHENOMENA, DR. BENTON QUEST.

BUT DR. QUEST HAS BEEN KIDNAPPED BY THE TERRORIST ORGANIZATION F.E.A.R.

IS F.E.A.R. CAUSING THE ENERGY STORMS?

IS THIS INTEL FROM MI6? CIA?

NO. EVERYTHING WE KNOW HAS BEEN VOLUNTEERED BY THE PRIVATE INTELLIGENCE GROUP *INTER-NATION.*

ITALY

JAPAN

JORDAN

GERMANY

GRI

THEY ARE NOT SANCTIONED BY THE U.N.!

OR *ANY* COUNTRY!

WE ARE WELL AWARE. YET ALL OUR RELEVANT FACTS ARE FROM INTER-NATION.

THEIR CHIEF OF OPERATIONS IS KNOWN ONLY AS "FALCON 7."

THIS IS OUR LATEST COMMUNIQUÉ FROM HIM.

*THE THREAT IS LIKELY **EXTRA-TERRESTRIAL** IN ORIGIN.*

THE PHENOMENA ARE VORTICES THAT THE ENTITY IS USING TO REACH EARTH. USE YOUR FORCES TO KEEP THE PUBLIC AWAY FROM THEM.

DO NOT DIRECTLY ENGAGE ANYTHING THAT MAY COME THROUGH A VORTEX UNTIL WE HAVE MORE FACTS!

"WE ARE RECRUITING MORE EXPERTS TO ADVISE IN THE ABSENCE OF DR. QUEST."

I'LL GIVE DR. KIM-CONROY THIS--THERE'S NO SNEAKING UP ON THIS FACILITY.

WE AT INTER-NATION INVITED HER TO SET UP HERE AFTER HOSTILE GROUPS TARGETED HER FAMILY.

RACE? MISS SUMADI? I BELIEVE YOU THAT THEY WON'T HURT DAD BECAUSE THEY NEED HIM FOR SOME REASON...

...BUT IS TODD GOING TO BE OKAY? THAT JUNGLE WAS FULL OF PREHISTORIC ANIMALS!

I DON'T THINK UG IS GOING TO LET ANYTHING GET NEAR HIM.

HE'S LIKE HIS CAVE-DAD.

I'VE SENT AN AGENT WITH SUPPLIES TO HELP LOOK FOR TODD'S PARENTS. SHE'S THERE NOW.

WHEN WE FIND YOUR FATHER, JONNY, MY BROTHER WILL PROBABLY BE THERE, TOO!

THANKS, JAN.

EEK-EEK!!

EVERY-ONE TAKE COVER!!

WHAT!

A SPIDER BOT!

BLAM KBLAM KBLAM BLAM

STOP!!

WHY ARE YOU SHOOTING AT MY ROBOT? I GAVE YOU CLEARANCE TO LAND!

THIS IS *YOURS?!*

IT LOOKS JUST LIKE DR. ZIN'S LARGER SPIDERS...

WHY AM I SURPRISED?

OF COURSE ARCHIMEDES ZIN IS RIPPING OFF MY WORK.

WE'RE ON HIGH ALERT. THE SENTRY ALREADY CAUGHT SOME INFILTRATORS THIS MORNING. COME ON INSIDE.

THESE FIVE ARE CLEAR.

JONNY, YOU'VE GROWN SO MUCH!

AND THIS IS YOUR BROTHER?

YEAH, THIS IS HADJI.

HELLO. AND JONNY'S *MY* BROTHER.

NICE PLACE INTER-NATION SET UP HERE.

IT WASN'T CHEAP.

DR. QUEST HAD BEEN TALKING WITH LINDA ABOUT YOUR GROUP. THIS IS WHY HE CALLED THEM FIRST.

SAID THE I-N DOESN'T PRESSURE SCIENTISTS.

IF YOU'RE HINTING AT TAKING A POSITION, MR. BANNON, I COULD PUT IN A WORD WITH FALCON 7.

WHAT I TOLD BENTON IS TRUE.

INTER-NATION HAS BEEN VERY SUPPORTIVE OF MY LARGE-EMERGENCY-RESPONSE PROJECT. THEY HAVEN'T TRIED TO DIRECT IT.

THANKS-- BUT DIDN'T YOU SAY SOMEONE BROKE IN EARLIER?

YES, BUT THEY'RE UNDER CONTROL, IN THE BIG LAB.

STEP ON THE LIFT, PLEASE.

GOOD, WE CAN QUESTION THEM-- AND I CAN SEE HOW YOUR BUILD IS COMING.

WHAT'S BEING BUILT?

IT'S THE CULMINATION OF MY ROBOTICS WORK, JONNY.

"IT'S CALLED *GARGANTUAN.*"

IT'S HUMONGOUS !!!

THAT'S THE BIGGEST ROBOT I'VE EVER SEEN!!

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GARGANTUAN IS FOR DEALING WITH LARGE CATASTROPHES WHERE IT ISN'T SAFE TO SEND IN PEOPLE.

SAY THERE WERE A NUCLEAR REACTOR MELTDOWN-- IT COULD HANDLE THE CORE WITH NO RISK TO HUMAN LIFE.

LET'S MOVE IN CLOSER. MY *STAR TECH* IS WORKING IN THE TORSO.

IS IT DINNER-TIME YET, MOM?

ALMOST. BUZZ, I HAVE SOME FRIENDS JOINING US.

DO YOU REMEMBER JONNY? FROM WHEN WE LIVED IN THE DESERT?

UH... NO. HI.

HI. IT'S OKAY, YOU WERE PRETTY SMALL THEN. ME TOO.

OVER HERE--THE INTRUDERS. THE SPIDER FOUND THEM SPYING IN HERE...

...AND I CONTROLLED GARGANTUAN'S ARM TO GRAB THEM.

GOOD, WE CAN GET SOME ANSWERS!

I DOUBT IT.

VMMMMMMMM

PLEASE, PLEASE LET ME GO!

WHY AM I HERE? I WAS AT WORK!

WHAT IS THIS UNIFORM? SOMEBODY HELP!

MEMORY-ERASING IMPLANTS.

YES. TRIGGERED IF THEY'RE CAUGHT--THIS HAPPENED WITH A F.E.A.R. AGENT BIRDMAN AND I BROUGHT IN RECENTLY.

SPEAKING OF FLIERS...

"...I WONDER HOW HERO TRAINING IS GOING?"

CAN'T CATCH ME, I'M THE GINGERBREAD MAN!

DON'T STAY ON ONE COURSE TOO LONG. IT'S TOO EASY TO TARGET YOU.

KZSHAM

CLOSE-- BUT I WAS READY THOUGH!

THAT SHOT WAS DOING DOUBLE DUTY, GETTING YOU INTO POSITION...

...FOR ANOTHER KIND OF ATTACK.

FOR REAL?

GET READY TO HAVE--

--IT BACK AT--

--WHOOP--

DUMP IT!

NOPE, I CAN TURN THIS AROUND, JUST NEED TO--

MIGHTOR!!!

BOOOM

ARE YOU OKAY?

SO WHAT YOU'RE SAYING IS...

...JUST GET OUT OF THE WAY OF THE BLAST.

STILL, YOU'VE FIGURED OUT MORE OF YOUR LIMITS.

NOT A BAD DAY, MIGHTOR.

AW-- CALL ME *TY*, BIRDMAN!

I THINK WHEN YOU'RE IN *"BIG GUY"* MODE YOU NEED TO USE ONLY MIGHTOR.

MAKE A CLEAR DISTINCTION, KEEP YOURSELF ON POINT.

GOTCHA. IT'S JUST SO WEIRD. MAYBE I'LL POWER DOWN NOW.

I'M AFRAID I'LL FORGET...

...WHO I REALLY AM.

YOUR GUY, TY.

AMAZING.

I THOUGHT I WAS TAPPING INTO THE MOST ANCIENT SOURCE OF POWER UNTIL YOU ACTIVATED WHAT THAT FOSSIL WAS HOLDING.

I STILL DON'T GET IT, RAY. HOW DID THIS CLUB END UP TRAPPING SOME BIG CRAZY ENERGY LIKE THE CAVE PAINTING SHOWED?

THE CAVE PAINTINGS SAID THE ENERGY WAS ALIVE...HERE TO CONSUME.

MY THEORY IS IT COULD ONLY AFFECT LIVING THINGS. THE CLUB WAS WOOD--ORGANIC BUT NOT STILL ALIVE.

BUT IT WAS CONNECTED TO AN ORGANISM... THE ORIGINAL YOUNG MAN WHO BECAME MIGHTOR.

I THINK IT WORKED LIKE A ***FUSE.***

USEFUL ENOUGH TO START THE ENERGY TRANSFER BUT UNABLE TO COMPLETE THE CIRCUIT.

THE ENERGY FORCE WAS TRAPPED, CUT OFF FROM THE MIND THAT CONTROLLED IT.

RESPONDING ONLY TO THE NEW HOST.

BUT I'M AN ARCHAEOLOGIST. THAT'S ALL JUST GUESSING.

MRROOWW

SOUNDS GOOD TO ME. JUST HOPE MY MOM AND DAD WILL GO FOR IT. HEY, BOY.

SO WE'RE WATCHING THIS ONE BECAUSE YOU AND MISS SUMADI THINK IT'S THE MOST DANGEROUS?

WE FOUND A MUCH SMALLER VORTEX HERE RECENTLY, AND WHAT CAME OUT OF IT...

...WELL, I'M HOPING THIS DOESN'T MEAN A BIGGER ONE WILL COME THROUGH NOW.

HEY, WHOA THERE--

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

THE CLUB, IT'S PULLING A LITTLE...

...LIKE A MAGNET.

TO THE VORTEX. WE BETTER STAY BACK FURTHER.

RAY, I FEEL LIKE THERE'S SOMETHING ELSE...

...LIKE I CAN HEAR OTHER SOUNDS, FAMILIAR...

RETURRRRRNN THE POWERRRRRR

TAKE COVER!

THIS IS INSANE, ARCHIE! WHY DIDN'T YOU JUST MESSAGE ME A TRUCE AND WE COULD HAVE SHARED INFORMATION?

INSTEAD OF DRUGGING ME AND EXPOSING MY KIDS TO A BOMB!

I WOULD NEVER HAVE LET IT DETONATE AROUND THEM, BENTON-- YOU MUST BELIEVE ME.

I CAN'T SHOW WEAKNESS IN FRONT OF F.E.A.R. THEY HAVE TO THINK I'M LOYAL TO THEIR LEADER.

AND IF HE OVERCOMES HIS NEURAL CONTROLLER? I HOPE THIS LAB WAS WORTH IT.

HOW DID YOU DISCOVER THE NATURE OF THE ENTITY CREATING THE VORTICES?

THE AGENTS FOUND AN ALIEN YOUR SONS MISSED.

IN HERE.

HE WAS RAMBLING INCOHERENTLY FOR A DAY...

...I BELIEVE HE WAS HIT BY A MASSIVE BURST OF CEREBRAL ENERGY.

HE'S FINALLY CALM AND I HAVE HIM ON AN IV.

HE'S DRESSED LIKE JAN-- SAME AGE.

SYNAPTIC DISRUPTION WOULD ALSO EXPLAIN *HER* MEMORY LOSS.

I HAVE HOURS OF RECORDINGS FROM THE ALIEN LAD.

I'VE GLEANED AN OVERALL PICTURE OF THE ENTITY YOU AND I HAVE RACED TO UNDERSTAND.

"THE BEING IS CALLED *OMNIKRON.*

"AN EVER-CHANGING CONGLOMERATE BEING THAT CO-OPTS THE BODY OF ANY LIFE-FORM IT TOUCHES.

"FLORA OR FAUNA--ONCE IT REACHES AN ENVIRONMENT IT GOES METASTATIC...

"...INFECTING THE ENTIRE ECOSYSTEM. AT ITS LARGEST IT CAN COVER AN ENTIRE WORLD.

"IN A DISTANT SOLAR SYSTEM OMNIKRON OVERRAN SEVERAL PLANETS, AND WAS BEATEN BACK BY A POWERFUL SPACE FORCE USING ENERGY PROJECTION.

"OMNIKRON DESTROYED MOST OF THOSE PROTECTORS AS THEY FORCED IT INTO A DEEP CHASM. NO ONE REALIZED THERE WAS SUBSURFACE LIFE THAT IT FOUND, SLOWLY REBUILDING ITSELF.

"THE LAST PROTECTOR OF THE SPACE FORCE FOUND ALL THE ALIENS CAPABLE OF FIGHTING THE ENTITY. THIS...*SPACE GHOST* WAS WISER NOW, PREPARED. BUT HE DIDN'T KNOW THE ONE ABILITY THAT OMNIKRON HAD UPON REACHING ITS MEGA-STATE.

"IT LEARNED HOW TO CONVERT ITS MASS INTO ENERGY, TO ESCAPE THROUGH TIME AND SPACE TO A NEW SOLAR SYSTEM. VIA A VORTEX."

I ERRONEOUSLY THOUGHT SMALLER SEGMENTS OF IT WOULD BE CONTROLLABLE. IN TRUTH THOSE WERE CREATURES THAT HAD BECOME SEPARATED BY THE CREATION OF THE VORTEX.

IT'S KEEPING SEVERAL DOORS OPEN AT ONCE... STRATEGIC THINKING?

WE NEED A SAMPLE OF OMNIKRON TO UNDERSTAND THE CELLULAR CORRUPTION.

I EXAMINED THE SPACECRAFT WE RECOVERED FOR MATERIAL.

I DIDN'T FIND ANY, BUT THIS WILL INTEREST YOU.

THE SHIP HAS *"HEALING TECH,"* AS WE ONCE DISCUSSED.

IT'S NEARLY REPAIRED... BY *ITSELF!*

WE NEED TO FIGURE OUT HOW IT WORKS-- CAN YOU GET ME IN THERE?

I CAN'T BELIEVE YOUR MOM LETS YOU WORK ON THE ROBOT, BUZZ.

AH, I MOSTLY HOOK UP SERVOS, SIMPLE STUFF. AND SHE CHECKS MY WORK.

HERE, LOOK.

YOU'RE BUILDING YOUR OWN ROBOT?

YEAH! WELL, I'M TRYING TO. MOM'S SUPPOSED TO HELP ME, BUT...

...THE BIG PROJECT TAKES UP ALL HER TIME.

DON'T WORRY, BUZZ, THERE'S NO RUSH.

YAH!!!

WHO--

THIS IS FRANKENSTEIN JR! WELL... IT'S HIS BRAIN ANYWAY.

HIS BODY GOT DESTROYED.

IT'S BEEN MONTHS AND WE'VE ONLY GOT PART OF HIS LEGS DONE--

--I'M SORRY, FRANKIE.

I'LL BE BACK IN ACTION BEFORE YOU KNOW IT, BUZZ.

BUT YOU MUST BE SO BORED!

NOT AT ALL. MY NEURAL NET HAS BEEN ON ALL THE TIME SINCE DR. CONROY REMOVED ME FROM THE BODY.

IT'S INTERESTING. I'VE STARTED TO USE WHAT YOU MIGHT CALL...

IMAGINATION.

YOU MEAN YOU'VE BEEN DAY-DREAMING?

I THINK SO. IT'S HARD TO DESCRIBE.

BUT I AM STARTING TO REMEMBER MORE THINGS FROM BEFORE.

I ENVISION IMAGES WHEN I HEAR THE NEWS THAT DR. CONROY LEAVES ON.

VERY COOL.

YEAH.

NEW FRIEND 001

NEW FRIEND 002

NEW FRIEND 00

I CAN ALSO SENSE WHAT OTHER COMPUTERS ARE WORKING ON, LIKE NOW.

DR. CONROY'S EQUIPMENT HAS PICKED UP A STRANGE ENERGY SIGNAL.

LET'S GO SEE! THANKS, FRANKIE!

SO YOU WERE ALREADY MONITORING THE PHENOMENA.

I'M NOT GOING TO BE CURIOUS ABOUT SOMETHING LIKE THIS?

IT LOOKS LIKE THERE'S BEEN A STATE CHANGE IN SOME OF THE VORTICES.

SEVEN HAVE DISAPPEARED ENTIRELY.

GOOD.

BUT THE ONE IN UTAH IS PULSING, AS IS THE ONE IN LOS ANGELES.

THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL!

beep boop beep

IMPOSSIBLES, *ANSWER!* HAVE YOU CLEARED OUT THE AREA *AROUND* THE VORTEX?

JUST LIKE YOU SAID, BIG D!

HEY, WE HAVEN'T HAD A CHANCE TO TELL YOU, SINCE YOU TEXTED OUR ORDERS...

WE, UH, TOOK ON A *NEW* IMPOSSIBLE...

YOU WHAT?!

HEY, A BUNCH OF NEWS PEOPLE AND POLICE ARE *COMING IN!*

YOU HAVE TO KEEP EVERYONE BACK FROM THE ENERGY. IT COULD KILL THEM!

WHAT ABOUT US?

YOU *HEARD* HER, IMPS!

I HOPE SHE HIRES ME IF WE SURVIVE!

WE'RE WITH THE NEWS!

NEWS

NEWS-FLASH-- YOU'RE STAYING OUT!

THAT THING IS DANGEROUS!

WATCH IT FROM A COPTER!

OFFICERS, I'M WORKING FOR INTER-NATION!

WE HAVE TO KEEP THE PUBLIC AWAY!

WHAT'S INTER-NATION?

YOU'RE ON THAT KIDS' SHOW!

ARE YOU SETTING UP AN ACT?

YES, THAT'S IT! AND SOME OF THIS LIGHT SHOW IS TRICKY--

--SO WE REALLY NEED TO KEEP THE AREA CLEAR!

FIGURES. YOU BETTER HAVE THE RIGHT PERMITS.

GUYS, THE SWIRLING THING!

IT'S CHANGING COLOR! DID SHE SAY IT WOULD DO THAT?!

WHAT IF THE CORE IS GOING CRITICAL!

WHAT CORE? HEY, FLUEY, WHAT DID BIG D SAY AGAIN IN HER FIRST ORDER?

READING... HERE--THE ENERGY IS A VORTEX THAT OPENS TO...

...SOME-WHERE ELSE.

WHAT...COMES THROUGH MIGHT... TRY TO...

TRY TO, TRY TO... WHAT?

...ABSORB ALL... PEOPLE... AROUND IT--INTO ITSELF.

IT'S HERE!

A MONSTER?!

BACK UP, BACK UP!

AAAH!!!

FOOOMFSSSHHHH

IT'S DOWN, WHATEVER IT IS.

WE *WON!*

IT DOESN'T LOOK LIKE A MONSTER.

NO...

...IT'S A *MAN.*

WE HAVE TO STAY?!

THERE'S PLENTY OF ROOM IN THE JET!

THAT'S NOT THE POINT, KIDS. GO BACK IN AND CHECK ON JAN.

BUT WE CAN HELP!

I KNOW. WE TAKE YOU INTO DANGER ALL THE TIME.

BUT THIS IS SOMETHING BIGGER THAN WE'VE EVER FACED.

I'VE ALREADY LET YOUR FATHER GET CAPTURED.

HE'D NEVER FORGIVE ME IF SOMETHING HAPPENED TO YOU BOYS.

STAY DOWN HERE IN THE HOUSE, I'VE LOCKED THE LAB.

THE SPIDER SENTRIES ARE ALL ACTIVATED. YOU'LL BE SAFE HERE. I'LL BE BACK SOON.

PROMISE.

WE WON'T EVEN KNOW WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH THEM.

YES, WE WILL! ALL OF MY MOM'S EQUIPMENT IS NETWORKED-- COME ON!

AND BEFORE YOU ASK, I *KNOW* HOW TO GET BACK IN THE LAB.

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SKRREAAW!

STAY CLEAR, AVENGER! IT'S LIKE THE CREATURE I FOUGHT BEFORE-- BUT FAR BIGGER!

FSSST!!

GOING TO NEED HELP, TY! BUT DO *NOT* LET IT TOUCH YOU!

KEEP YOUR DISTANCE!

BIRDMAN, IT'S PULLING THE CLUB!

IT'S TRYING TO... PULL IT... IN--

--NO!!!

SORRY, YOU BIG NASTY! NO TAKEBACKS!

THAT POWER BELONGS--

--TO MIGHTOR!!

HHROAARH!!!

HGRRLLLLRH...

NO, SNAG, MOVE! DON'T TOUCH IT!!

RAY, THANK YOU!

BIRDMAN! WE'RE ON THE CLOCK.

YOU GOTTA STAY OUT OF THIS ONE, BOY-- SHOO!

FALCON 7, COME IN! WE'RE ENGAGING THE VORTEX ALIEN!

SEVEN, CAN YOU HEAR ME?!

I KNOW THIS IS MY FIRST NIGHTMARE WHEN I'M A KID AGAIN.

BUT I'M DOING IT! I CAN FEEL THE CLUB'S POWER GOING HARDER LIKE I'M PUSHING IT!

MORE THAN BEFORE, I'M--

--UH... WHAT...

--T OF THE WAY!!!

WHAT HAPPENED? WERE YOU STUNNED?

I-- I DON'T KNOW!

FOR A SECOND I WAS...SOME-WHERE ELSE.

WHY IS IT LOOKING AWAY FROM US?

WE'VE BEEN BLASTING IT APART--YOU DON'T TURN YOUR BACK ON A THREAT!

IT'S GOING BACK IN-- WE DID IT!

YEAH, YOU BETTER RUN!

SEVEN, DEVA-- IS ANYONE READING ME?

THE ALIEN IS HEADING BACK INTO THE VORTEX!

WE'RE HEARING YOU, FLIER. GOOD WORK!

I WANT TO SEE WHAT LINDA MAKES OF THAT NEWS.

HEARD HIM. AND I GOT SOME VIDEO FROM HIS HELMET CAM.

IT SOUNDS GOOD...BUT IT'S NOT.

OH.

THE ALIEN KEEPS DOORS OPEN ACROSS THE PLANET FOR OPTIONS.

IT CLOSED A FEW DURING THE UTAH FIGHT, ASSESSED ITS SITUATION.

IN THE DESERT, NOT ENOUGH WATER OR LIFE AROUND TO BUILD ITSELF. LOSING MASS FROM THE ENERGY ATTACK.

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AS IT STARTED HEADING BACK INTO THE VORTEX, THE READINGS BEGAN CLIMBING AT THE VORTEX IN CALIFORNIA.

OH NO-- THEY'RE NOT READY FOR SOMETHING LIKE THIS!

BANNON, FORGET UTAH! CONTINUE ON TO LOS ANGELES-- WE NEED TO LAND AT THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL!

ALWAYS WANTED TO SEE A SHOW THERE.

"THE VORTEX MONITOR SYSTEM--OMNIKRON IS ON THE MOVE!"

F.E.A.R. BASE.

IT'S TRANSFERRING TO LOS ANGELES, BENTON.

DIDN'T LIKE THE DESERT. IT NEEDS A POPULATED AREA.

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YOUR PAYLOAD MODULE IS CONNECTED TO THE ALIEN CRAFT.

AND IT SEEMS COMPLETELY REPAIRED.

BUT AS WE FOUND, IT WON'T LET US BOARD NOW THAT ITS SAFEGUARD IS WORKING...

...UNLESS WE TAKE SOMEONE IT APPROVES.

I'LL PUT ON THE CUFFS UNLOCKED AND HOPE YOUR AUTHORITY IS ENOUGH.

IT WILL BE.

AGENT!

WALK WITH OUR CAPTIVE. I'M TAKING BOTH ONTO THE CRAFT WHILE I EXAMINE IT.

YES, DR. ZIN!

AH...NO! I DON'T WANT TO GO!

I DON'T KNOW WHAT'S WORSE, HAVING MY WILL TAKEN AWAY, OR THE HORRIBLE ACTING.

LOOK ON HIM, AGENTS OF F.E.A.R. YOU MUST LEARN TO RECOGNIZE A SCORPION IN YOUR MIDST.

DAMN.

HE BRINGS GREAT IDEAS, BUT ULTIMATELY HE WILL STRIKE YOU.

AND PERHAPS CONTROL YOU LIKE A PUPPET.

I'M TEMPTED TO MAKE YOU WEAR ONE OF YOUR OWN CONTROL UNITS, ARCHIMEDES ZIN. BUT YOUR TRANSGRESSION OUTWEIGHS YOUR USEFULNESS NOW.

FOR THIS, YOU WILL SUFFER AND *DIE.*

"WHAT. IS. *THAT.*"

HOLLYWOOD BOWL, LOS ANGELES.

HRRRAAEEEUUAAAAA...

I'M GOING WITH "MOST TERRIFYING THING I COULD EVER IMAGINE."

FIGHTING... INSTINCT... TO SPRING AWAY...

WE NEED TO GET THIS GUY OUT OF HERE!

WE NEED TO GET *US* OUT OF HERE!

DON'T... LET...

...OMNIKRON TOUCH YOU... ANYONE...

GOOD ADVICE!

I'LL PUT HIM IN A SAFE SPOT 'TIL MEDICS CAN GET HERE.

IMPOSSIBLES, CAN YOU HEAR ME? COME IN!

DO NOT LET THE VORTEX CREATURE TOUCH YOU, DO YOU HEAR ME?

ROGER THAT, BIG D! THAT'S JUST WHAT THE GUY WHO CAME THROUGH FIRST SAID.

IT'S GRAZING ON THE HILLSIDE NOW.

SOMEONE CAME THROUGH BEFORE THE CREATURE?

YEAH, THIS BIG GUY IN WHITE, HE NEEDS MEDICAL HELP. CAN YOU SEND ANY?

NO, AND DON'T CALL ANYONE--WE NEED PEOPLE TO GET FAR AWAY!

THE POLICE ARE BACK!

WHAT IS THAT THING?!

THIS ISN'T A SHOW, THAT THING IS ALIVE!

OFFICERS! CLEAR THE AREA, REALLY! YOU HAVE TO GET OUT!

AAAAHH!!!

WE'RE IN CHARGE HERE, NOT YOU!

IT'S BEARING DOWN-- FIRE!

YOU'VE GOTTA LISTEN--

BLAM BLAM BLAM

OH GOD, WHAT'S HAPPENING TO MY BODY

MAKE IT STOPPPPPPPS!

WE...

...ARE...

...OMNIKRON.

...

EVERY-BODY STAY BACK FOR REAL!!!

THAT'S THE WORST THING I'VE EVER SEEN!

I THINK I'M GONNA BE SICK!!!

WET MYSELF.

OKAY, THERE'S A WEBCAM STREAMING FROM THE PLACE, WE'LL BE ABLE TO SEE WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE CALIFORNIA VORTEX!

WEBCAM 3

EEWWWWWWW!!!!!

EEEK!!!

THAT THING... I KNOW IT...

IS IT THE CREATURE THAT ATTACKED YOUR SHIP?

YES... IT'S...

...OMNIKRON.

OOK?

SPACE GHOST!!! JACE!!!

WE WERE ALL FIGHTING IT WHEN IT PULLED US INTO THE HOLE!

THE GALAXY TRIO!

IT'S OKAY, YOU'RE OKAY NOW--YOU'RE HERE WITH US.

NO, HADJI, NO ONE'S OKAY! I REMEMBER NOW.

OMNIKRON DESTROYS WHOLE WORLDS-- IT MAKES ALL LIVING THINGS BECOME PART OF ITS BODY AND LEAVES EACH PLANET A LIFELESS HUSK.

A GROUP OF INTERPLANETARY PROTECTORS CALLED THE SPACE FORCE GAVE THEIR LIVES STOPPING IT IN MY SOLAR SYSTEM.

THEY DROVE IT INTO A DEEP CHASM, BUT THERE WAS LIFE DOWN THERE NO ONE KNEW ABOUT.

OMNIKRON ABSORBED THE ORGANISMS FOR YEARS, REBUILDING ITSELF.

SPACE GHOST CHASED THE CREATURE INTO HYPERSPACE AND WE FOLLOWED.

HE WAS DETERMINED TO KEEP IT FROM LANDING ON ANOTHER WORLD.

BUT NOW IT HAS.

THE LAST SURVIVOR OF THE SPACE FORCE LED THE FIGHT TO DESTROY THE CREATURE ON PLANET AMZOT.

HE'S BEEN TRAINING MY BROTHER AND ME TO ONE DAY REBUILD THE FORCE.

HE'S CALLED ***SPACE GHOST.***

SO... RACE, DEVA AND BUZZ'S MOM PROBABLY AREN'T GOING TO DO A WHOLE LOT TO SOMETHING LIKE THAT.

THE MILITARY WILL GO AFTER IT!

THAT'S JUST WHAT IT NEEDS, MORE LIFE. OUR DAD COULD SOLVE THIS, I KNOW IT. BUT HE'S GONE.

BUZZ...WHAT ABOUT *GARGANTUAN?*

IT'S NOT READY. I MEAN, THE BODY IS, BUT...

MOM HAS TO BUILD THE A.I., PROGRAM IT WITH ALL KINDS OF PROTOCOLS.

SHE SAYS IT'S TOO DANGEROUS TO RUN A COMMAND MODULE THAT ISN'T...

...COMPLEX ENOUGH.

WAIT, WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

BUZZ?

HI, BUZZ.

THE VORTEX IS SHRINKING. THROUGH THE GROUND THIS TIME.

ACCORDING TO DR. CONROY, THIS AREA IS USELESS TO IT.

BUT NOW IT'S LOOSE IN LOS ANGELES-- THIS WILL BE CATASTROPHIC.

HOW LONG DO YOU THINK IT WILL TAKE US TO GET THERE?

EVEN AT OUR TOP SPEEDS, HOURS. YOU GO AHEAD.

I'M GOING THE WAY THE CREATURE WENT.

THE VORTEX? THERE'S NO TELLING WHAT'S IN THERE! NO AIR, MAYBE!

I'LL TURN AROUND THEN. THERE ARE LIVES AT STAKE-- I'M GOING TO TRY.

BIRDMAN, *NO!!!*

I CAN'T TELL IF THERE'S AIR...OR IF I EVEN NEED TO BREATH, AVENGER!

AND I HAVE THE WEIRDEST SENSATION-- LIKE I CAN *FEEL TIME.*

SKREEAAAWK!

WAIT UP, I WANT IN ON THE SHORT-CUT!

YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO TAKE THE SAFE WAY!

I CAN'T FIND L.A.! MY FOLKS WON'T GIVE ME A PHONE WITH GPS UNTIL I'M TWELVE!

I DON'T SEE ANY OTHER OPENINGS.

DON'T WORRY, THE ALIEN GAVE OFF A PARTICULAR PART OF THE LIGHT SPECTRUM.

I CAN SEE TRACES OF IT, LEADING THAT WAY. FOLLOW ME!

--VORTEX CLOSED-- WE MAY BE TRAPPED FOREVER--

DO YOU HEAR THAT?

I DO! LET'S SLOW DOWN.

ZOK, KEEP GOING, WE HAVE TO GO THROUGH--

OVER THAT WAY.

LEAD ON.

WHOEVER IT IS, I THINK THEY'RE LOST!

THIS IS A WORMHOLE THAT TRUNCATES TIME AND SPACE, THEY COULD BE TRYING TO GO ANYWHERE.

OH WOW, *ALIENS!*

GARNK TAGA RO!!!

I AM TARRA OF AMZOT, AND THESE ARE *THE HERCULOIDS.*

REEAAAAWWAK!

AH,,, GREETINGS! WE COME IN PEACE?

WE ARE IN PURSUIT OF OMNIKRON, A BEING THAT ATTACKED OUR WORLD.

IF YOU HAVE SEEN IT AND CAN DIRECT US, YOU HAVE MY ETERNAL THANKS.

IF YOU MEAN THIS BIG UGLY THING WITH ALL KINDS OF EYES AND MOUTHS, WE'RE AFTER IT, TOO!

IT'S COME TO OUR PLANET. EARTH.

IT EXPENDED MOST OF ITS BODY TO COME SO FAR.

BUT IT MUST BE STRUCK DOWN QUICKLY. IF IT FINDS LIFE, IT WILL REGROW.

AS WE FEARED.

WE WELCOME YOUR HELP.

FOLLOW US... TO EARTH.

WHREAAAK!

"ACTUALLY, I THINK NOW I WON'T KILL YOU. I HAVE A BETTER SOLUTION."

ZIN, YOU CAN GO THROUGH THE BRAINWASHING MODULE, AND WORK AMONG MY LOWEST AGENTS AS AN ORDER-FOLLOWING DRONE.

WE LOST 66 A WHILE BACK. THAT CAN BE YOUR IDENTITY.

LOOK, YOU HAVE TO LISTEN TO HIM--THIS ALIEN WILL WIPE OUT THE ENTIRE HUMAN RACE!

QUIET!

THIS IS FASCINATING. ZIN'S MOST HATED ENEMY, RALLYING TO HIS CAUSE.

THEN IT MUST BE SO. YOU CAN TAKE OVER ZIN'S LAB, DR. QUEST.

I WILL GIVE YOU THE RESOURCES YOU NEED TO ***STOP THIS THREAT.***

I'LL LET A FEW CITIES FALL FIRST, OF COURSE. LET THE WORLD BECOME DESPERATE FOR A SOLUTION.

THEN I WILL OFFER THAT SOLUTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER.

WHAT? NO!

WHAT A SICK MIND! THIS IS YOUR WORLD, TOO!

IT WILL ***REALLY*** BE MY WORLD IF I HOLD OUT LONG ENOUGH.

NOW TO THE CONDITIONING CHAMBER WITH YOU, DR. ZIN.

I WILL TAKE HIM THERE.

NO, I WANT YOU T--

WHOK

NUMBER ONE!

VIP VIP

THOK

SINCE THAT OFFICIALLY TERMINATES MY CONTRACT WITH F.E.A.R., GENTLEMEN...

...I HOPE YOU KNOW HOW TO FLY THIS SPACESHIP.

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BRAKAKABRAKAKABRAKAKABRAKAKABRAKA

HOW LONG CAN THIS HULL TAKE THIS *BARRAGE?!*

I CAN'T DISCERN THE ALIEN SYMBOLS TO MAKE THE CRAFT POWER UP!

WE WERE *LUCKY* TO GET THE DOOR CLOSED!

BLAM BLAM BLAM BRAKKAKA

YOU SHOULD HAVE WAITED AND SNUCK US OUT IN SECRECY, JADE!

YOU'RE WELCOME, ZIN--THEY WERE GOING TO SHOOT YOU.

AKAKAKAKAKAKA BLAM KABLAM BLAM VMMMMM

THERE! I THINK THE CONTROLS ARE ONLINE NOW, BUT I CAN'T TELL WHAT ENGAGES THE DRIVE...

THE ROUND CONSOLE, TRY TAPPING IT!

BRAKAKA BRAKA BRAKA

CRUISER DEFENSES ENERGIZING.

PHANTOM DRIVE ENGAGED.

VWIP VIP

METEOR SMASHER-- TIGHT FOCUS...

KHHHHHHH

ARE YOU OKAY, YOUNG MAN?

NO, BUT I GUESS I'LL BE WORSE IF THEY DESTROY THE SHIP.

HEARD... YOU SAY YOU FOUND MY SISTER-- JAN?

I NEED TO REACH HER.

VZZZEWWWSHH WHWOOOMM

SHOW ME HOW TO USE THE SYSTEM AND WE'LL CALL RACE. SHE'S WITH HIM AND MY SONS.

FIRST WE NEED TO SET A COURSE TO THE WEST COAST.

THAT'S WHERE OMNIKRON IS LOOSE!

"BUZZ, IS THIS THE LEVER YOU SAID OPENS THE HEAD?"

BANG

OW!

THANKS, JONNY. STEP ASIDE, EVERYBODY, CONNECTING THE NEURAL NET.

DESIGNED BY MY DAD.

NOW...THIS DETERMINES POSITION.

AND THIS IS THE *"CORTEX"* CONTROL MODULE.

THERE'S TV IN HERE.

SO GLAD SHE USED SPECIALIZED CONNECTORS FOR EACH SYSTEM.

STOP TEASING BANDO, BLIP.

BRAF!!

IT'S *"BANDIT."* AND HE DESERVES IT.

THAT'S... IT.

DO YOU HAVE TO TURN IT ON NOW?

I SHOULDN'T HAVE TO, IT SHOULD JUST... WORK.

I WISH I HADN'T UNHOOKED THE PORTABLE VOICE BOX...

...NOW I CAN'T EVEN ASK FRANKIE WHAT HAPPENED.

IS HE... OKAY?

I DON'T KNOW.

I'M SURE HE IS-- YOU SAID HE SURVIVED A BAD GUY FRYING HIM.

I SHOULD HAVE LEFT HIM ALONE, I...

...I SHOULD HAVE LET MOM DEAL WITH HIM WHEN SHE HAD TIME.

I... I...

DON'T WORRY, BUZZ.

THIS IS A BIG BODY TO BRING ONLINE. IT TOOK A MINUTE.

FRANKIE!! YOU'RE WORKING!

OH WOW, OH WOW!!

WHERE'S YOUR MOM, BUZZ? DID SHE AUTHORIZE THIS?

NO, UM... SHE'S IN TROUBLE.

SHE AND HER FRIENDS WENT TO STOP AN ALIEN CREATURE ON THE WEST COAST--

--BUT JAN SAYS IT'S CAPABLE OF WIPING OUT ALL LIFE ON EARTH!

WHOA, WHAT'S HAPPENING TO YOUR CASING?

THIS CONSTRUCT HAS A MOLECULAR PATTERN CHANGER FOR CAMOUFLAGE FROM SATELLITE CAMERAS.

I'M CUSTOMIZING IT FOR OUR MISSION. YOU KIDS CAN GET BACK IN MY HEAD.

SO HE'S READY TO GO?!

YES!

OPENING HANGAR TOP DOORS--

WHRRRRRRRRRRRRRRRRRR

IGNITING THRUSTERS.

"COME IN, BIG D! OUR MONSTER IS IN MOTION AND HE'S HEADING TOWARD THE OCEAN."

WHSSSHHHHH

IT'S CROSSED THE 405 HEADING TOWARD SANTA MONICA--WE'RE KEEPING PEOPLE AWAY!

WE'VE ALSO GOT THE BIG SPACE-GUY, HE'S STILL DOWN FOR THE COUNT.

GOOD WORK, IMPOSSIBLES. I'M ALMOST THERE.

TURN BACK! EVACUATE THE AREA!

ARE YOU SURE FLYING US DOESN'T MAKE YOU TIRED, COBALT?

NO! I JUST FEEL THE MAGNETIC FIELDS AND THE DIRECTIONS THEY FLOW...AND SHIFT THEM.

SURE BEATS HOPPING ALL THE WAY THERE.

STILL WONDER WHY IT BOLTED SO QUICKLY. IT EVEN IGNORED THAT CROWD AT CENTURY CITY.

DON'T QUESTION IT. MAYBE IT JUST REALLY WANTS TO CATCH SOME WAVES!

COIL, IT'S CUTE HOW YOU KEEP ACTING LIKE YOU'RE STEERING.

CLEAR THE WAY, LET'S GO!

BEEP BEEP

OKAY, DR. CONROY, SETTING DOWN ON OCEAN AVENUE.

LINDA, YOU'RE SURE THIS IS WHERE THE CREATURE IS HEADED?

YES--LOOK AT THIS OTHER BLIP COMING FROM THE SEA. SAME SIGNAL DISTORTION.

I THINK THEY'RE BOTH ON AN INTERCEPT COURSE--

HEY, TEAM!

YOUR BLIP IS A LOT BIGGER OUT HERE!

SANTA MONICA

YACHT HARBO

SPORT FISHING ★ BOA

cafes

AAAAAHHH!

EEEEIIAA!

BIG D! WE CLEARED THE AREA AND IT'S RIGHT BEHIND U-- YAH!
ANOTHER ONE?!
AND BIGGER?!
MAYBE THEY'RE GOING TO FIGHT?
THE NEW IMPOSSIBLE I DIDN'T AUTHORIZE.
HONK HONK
THIS IS COBALT, BIG D.
ESMERALDA SANTOS?
YOU KNOW ME?
I HAVE A LIST OF ALL THE PASSENGERS WHO MIGHT HAVE BEEN AFFECTED BY F.E.A.R.'S TRANSMUTER RAYS THAT NIGHT.
WE'LL DISCUSS YOUR ROLE LATER. FOR NOW YOU LISTEN TO ME.
GOT IT.
THIS GUY'S HAD A ROUGH TIME--
MONSTER ONE, CATCHING UP!
ANOTHER ARRIVAL-- DON'T KNOW WHO THIS IS...

...BUT THAT'S NOT ANY TECHNOLOGY I KNOW!

METEOR SMASHER-- WIDE FOCUS...

WHMMMMMMM

RELEASING THE SPIDER-BOTS!

THOSE *ARE* MY BOT DESIGNS! IS *ZIN* IN THERE?!

HE'LL KNOW WHERE DR. QUEST IS!

SPACE GHOST IS DOWN THERE--THE SHIP SAYS HE'S HURT! I NEED TO PUT HIM IN THE HEALING CHAMBER, FAST!

RACE, COME IN! I'M IN THE SPACECRAFT ABOVE YOU!

DR. QUEST?

GOOD TO HEAR YOUR VOICE AGAIN!

YOU TOO. WE'RE COMING DOWN BY YOU. THAT ALIEN'S VITAL SIGNS ARE LOW AND HE NEEDS TREATMENT ON BOARD.

CAN YOU BRING HIM TO THE REAR HATCH?

WILL DO, DOC.

LANDING. HOPE THOSE ROBOTS CAN KEEP THE KRONS AT BAY.

THROUGH HERE!

WOW, THIS GUY'S LIKE AN ANCHOR.

BENTON, ARE YOU OKAY?

AND WHERE'S ZIN?

LINDA.

"NO...WE'RE TOO LATE!"

THE TRAIL ENDS HERE... THE VORTEX IS CLOSED.

WE'RE TRAPPED HERE... OUTSIDE TIME AND SPACE?

WRAAAA!!

CALM, ZOK. AT LEAST WE ARE TOGETHER.

MAYBE THE MONSTER WILL HAVE TO COME BACK THROUGH, AND WE CAN JUMP HIM...

TY! OMNIKRON IS ALREADY HERE, REMEMBER?

THE CLUB! IT USED TO BE THE MENTAL ENERGY OF OMNIKRON.

EXACTLY! THE SAME POWER THAT OPENS THE VORTICES.

AND THAT POWER IS NOW CONTROLLED BY YOU.

YOU THINK I CAN BLAST A DOOR BACK TO EARTH?

FOCUS ON THE CLOSED POINT... IMAGINE A VORTEX OPENING.

THEN LET THE POWER FLOW.

"WHAT IN NEWTON'S NAME HAVE YOU DONE, ARCHIE?"

AT LEAST I ATTRACTED IT TO LAND IN THE DESERT FIRST. IT COULD HAVE EMERGED IN A POPULATED AREA BEFORE NOW!

RIGHT. NOW THAT I THINK ABOUT IT, YOU'RE THE REAL HERO, ZIN.

OKAY, LETS DROP THE BLAMING. WE NEED IDEAS. THE SPIDERS CAN'T HOLD IT BACK FOREVER.

WILL HE SURVIVE?

NOW HE WILL. THIS REPAIRS HIS CELLS.

I THINK HE'S BEEN FIGHTING FOR DAYS IN HYPERSPACE, TRYING TO KEEP OMNIKRON OFF YOUR WORLD.

SO, JADE, WHO ARE YOU WORKING FOR NOW?

PLANET EARTH. BUT IF SOMEBODY WANTS TO PAY ME FOR IT, THAT'S FINE.

ZMMMMM

LET'S GO.

WAIT UP, I'LL--

NO... YOU DON'T STAND A CHANCE...

...WITHOUT THIS.

YOU ARE NOW PART OF THE SPACE FORCE.

ZZKKTT

SNEAK ATTACK!

GUYS, WE'RE LOSING OUR ROBOTS!

IT WASN'T HELD BACK, IT WAS MOVING FORWARD UNDER THE STREET!

IT MUSTN'T TOUCH US!

VAMVAMVAMVAMVAAM

I COULD GET USED TO THIS.

THERE'S MORE OF IT ALL AROUND, COME ON!
IT'S TOO FAST!
THE PIER IS THE ONLY WAY!
BUT THE BIGGER ONE IS OUT IN THE--
=AHK=--
IMPS, ARE YOU CAUSING THIS WIND?
IT CAN'T BE...
OH NO.
BUZZ.

COMING IN FOR LANDING, BUZZ.

IT'S GARGANTUAN!

IT'S SUPPOSED TO BE. BUT I HADN'T MADE THE BRAIN.

I THINK IT'S REALLY...

...FRANKENSTEIN JR.

HOLY COW, LOOK HOW *BIG* THAT MONSTER IS!

IT'S ALMOST *TWICE* AS BIG AS THE ROBOT!

YEAH, BUT FRANKIE'S MADE OF STEEL.

COME ON, FRANKIE-- LET HIM HAVE IT!

POWERING UP DYNAMO DEFENSE.

BOOOOM

FIST FIELDS GENERATING!

READY FOR TERAWATT PROJECTION.

WOO-HOO!!
THIS FFFEEELLLS WEIRRRRD--
THAT'LL CUT IT DOWN TO SIZE!
MOM NEEDS TO INSULATE THIS CABIN BETTER!
HEY LOOK, THERE'S ANOTHER ONE HERE ON LAND-- BEHIND YOU, FRANKIE!
I SEE IT, BUZZ.
READY FOR CLOSE COMBAT.
BAM!
KNOCK ITS BLOCK OFF! OR ITS WHATEVER!
ROWF ROWF!!
EEK EEK EEK!
YOUR ROBOT IS INCREDIBLE! GREAT WORK, PROFESSOR!
I'D BE MORE EXCITED IF MY CHILD WEREN'T IN IT!
DON'T HOG ALL THE GLORY, BANNON!
YOU'RE NOT SHOOTING AT ME?
NOW WE ARE GETTING SOMEWHERE.

OH NO-- ANOTHER VORTEX!

NOT ANOTHER ONE OF THOSE MONSTERS-- I CAN'T TAKE IT!

WE'RE BACK!

RIGHT ON TIME, TOO!

WE MIGHT... WE MIGHT DO IT!

WAHOO!
LOOK AT TY GO!
AND BIRDMAN!
FRANKIE'S FIGHTING TWO MONSTERS AT ONCE!
MORE ARE COMING THROUGH THE VORTEX!
IT LOOKS LIKE...
IT'S OUR NEW FRIENDS. THEY'VE CAUGHT UP!
JOIN IN!

ROBOT!

DESTROY IT!

NO!

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HERCULOIDS, ATTACK!!

STOP! THE ROBOT IS FIGHTING OMNIKRON WITH US!

HFSZZZKK

FSSTTKZZZ

WHAT'S HAPPENING?!

FRANKIE, ARE YOU OKAY?

BUZZ--I'M--LOSING--CONTROL ⊹F MY--SUPER-STR⊹CTURE--

GRRRRREEEAAKK

I THINK... BUZZ IS IN THERE!

COME ON!

SOME-BODY PULL THAT RED LEVER BACK THERE!

GOT IT!

SOS! THIS IS BUZZ CONROY-- INSIDE THE HEAD!

RUN!

FFOOOOSH

IT'D BE REALLY GREAT IF SOMEBODY COULD CATCH US RIGHT NOW!

I'M ON IT! I'VE GOT THIS!

CAREFUL!

MIGHTOR... =AHHH=...

=HUNHH=--

THIS THING MUST WEIGH AS MUCH AS A TRAIN!

BUT WAIT--

WE'RE DOING IT, BIRDMAN!

IT'S SLOWING DOWN! IT'S--

--IT'S NOT US.

YOU DEFINITELY HELPED!

NOT LOSING YOU AGAIN, QUEST!

NO!

WE'RE TRAPPED, IT'S--

WE'VE GOT YOU!

CUTTING IT CLOSE--

IT'S ON ME!

COIL!

IT CAN'T TAKE YOU, IT--

HANG ON, BIG D, I THINK...

...I'M FINE!

IT'S FLOWING AWAY, TOO-- MAYBE YOU TASTE AWFUL, COIL!

LOOK WHERE IT'S GOING!

THEY'RE *JOINING!*

AND I THOUGHT IT COULDN'T GET MORE GROSS...

UH OH...

IT'S RETREATING TO LICK ITS WOUNDS.

SO IT CAN RETURN.

IT WILL HIDE AND ABSORB FROM ANOTHER PART OF YOUR PLANET-- TO GROW AGAIN.

NO!

WE'VE *GOT* TO STOP IT HERE! *NOW!*

MIGHTOR, WAIT!

TY!

DAD!

ALL OF YOU WERE IN THERE?!

JAN! YOU'RE ALL RIGHT!

BUZZ, WHAT WERE YOU THINKING?!

WE ALMOST DID IT, MOM! FRANKIE HAD THE MONSTER ON THE ROPES!

IT *WAS* GOING WELL. WE WERE TAKING IT DOWN.

IS THERE ANY CHANCE IT'S FLED OUR WORLD?

THAT WE DROVE IT OFF?

THERE'S... NO CHANCE OF THAT.

THIS IS WHAT OMNIKRON ALWAYS DOES.

IT HAS ALREADY STARTED TO BOND TO YOUR ECOSYSTEM.

IT WON'T STOP UNTIL EVERYTHING HERE IS OMNIKRON.

WHY COULDN'T I SLAM ON THE BRAKES?

IF I'D ONLY BEEN A SECOND LATER!

WELL, I GUESS I'M FAST, AT LEAST.

AT LEAST SNAG ISN'T STUCK HERE WITH ME. JONNY AND HADJI CAN TAKE CARE OF HIM.

I HOPE HE DOESN'T EAT BANDIT. OH MAN, HOW DO I GET *HOME?*

I CAN'T EVEN FIND THAT STUPID MONSTER!

IF BIRDMAN WERE HERE, HE COULD SEE ITS TRAIL... BUT HE TOLD ME WHAT TO DO.

I CAN MAKE MY OWN VORTEX AGAIN! BUT WHICH DIRECTION DID I COME IN FROM?

WHERE... WHERE IS IT...

...THE RIGHT PLACE... THE RIGHT...

...TIME?

OKAY NOW, WHAT THE HECK. BIRDMAN? ANYBODY?

WHERE AM I?

I *DID* SEE SOMEONE UP HERE!

ARE YOU... A GHOST? YOU HAVE A CLUB JUST LIKE MINE!

I THINK IT *IS* YOURS.

I'M FROM... A LATER TIME.

YES. OF COURSE THE CLUB WILL OUTLAST ME.

IF THIS MEANS THE SKY GOD NEVER GETS THE POWER BACK, THEN IT IS GOOD.

THE SKY GOD-- THAT'S WHAT I'M FIGHTING NOW, BUT I GOT LOST!

HAHA! YOU ARE NEVER LOST WITH THE CLUB.

TRUST IT.

ONCE, IN A GREAT STORM, I COULD NOT SEE THE LAND.

I PICTURED WHERE THE CLIFF DWELLERS LIVE, AND IT PULLED ME THERE.

IT HAS OTHER POWERS, TOO.

REALLY?

SOMETIMES I CAN UNDERSTAND STRANGE TONGUES IN DISTANT LANDS WITH IT.

AND THOUGH ITS POWER TO SMITE ENEMIES IS MIGHTY, I HAVE USED IT TO HEAL. THAT IS HARD THOUGH.

THE SKY GOD IT COMES FROM WAS MORE LIKE...A SICKNESS.

MY FRIENDS AND I ARE FIGHTING THE SKY GOD IN MY TIME...

...WE WERE WINNING AND THEN IT GOT AWAY.

I SENSE THE GOD THROUGH THIS. IT THINKS LIKE A RIDDLE. IT CAN NEVER DIE...

...AND YET IT IS *ALWAYS* DYING.

THE GOD BROKE ITSELF COMING HERE.

THAT'S HOW THE POWER CAME TO MY CLUB, AND HOW ALL THE STRANGE BEINGS CAME TO BE IN THIS LAND.

EXCEPT MY OLD FRIEND, TOG, THE BEST OF THEM. HE HELPS ME BATTLE THE REST.

KRAAAW!

MY FRIENDS NEED ME TO HELP FIGHT IT. YOU REALLY THINK THE CLUB CAN TAKE ME TO THEM?

IT KNOWS THE WAY.

PICTURE WHERE YOU NEED TO GO.

I DON'T REMEMBER THE PLACE WELL. IT WAS THE FIRST TIME I'VE BEEN WEST.

BUT I CAN REMEMBER...

...MY FRIENDS.

FLY SWIFT AND STRIKE HARD...

...MIGHTOR!

"WE NOW CONVENE THIS EMERGENCY ASSEMBLY OF THE UNITED NATIONS. AS YOU--"

--ARE ALL AWARE THAT THE LAST 24 HOURS HAVE BEEN DISASTROUS.

THE ALIEN HAS BEGUN A RANDOM PATTERN OF TELEPORTING AROUND THE PLANET INTO POPULATED AREAS.

IT ABSORBED THOUSANDS IN SEOUL AND FLED ONCE THE SOUTH KOREAN ARMY RETALIATED.

THE SAME HAPPENED NEXT IN ROME...

...AND THE RUSSIANS TRIED TO FINISH IT WITH AN AIR STRIKE THAT HAS RAZED A QUARTER OF MOSCOW. BUT VIDEO SHOWS THE ALIEN OPENING A VORTEX YET AGAIN.

THE MOST SUCCESSFUL INTEL WE'VE HAD ALL ALONG HAS COME FROM INTER-NATION.

THEIR SMALL ALLIANCE OF OPERATIVES AND SCIENTISTS HAVE COME THE CLOSEST TO STOPPING THE THREAT.

WE ARE NOW THROWING FULL SUPPORT BEHIND THE I-N AND FAST-TRACKING ALL OF THEIR COUNSEL ON THIS.

I CAN'T BELIEVE THE KREMLIN BOMBED THEIR OWN CITY!

I CAN.

THE TIME FOR THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN WHEN IT APPEARED IN UZBEKISTAN--IT WAS DESOLATE THERE.

THEY'LL ***WIPE OUT*** THE HUMAN RACE BEFORE THE ***CREATURE*** DOES! ARE QUEST AND ZIN ***GETTING*** ANYWHERE?

I'D STAY OUT OF THAT ROOM, MS. SUMADI. BUT I CAN TELL FROM EXPERIENCE...

...SOME GOOD SCIENCE IS GETTING DONE.

AT LEAST YOUR *TOP* AGENT IS WORKING ON HIS TAN. THIS MONSTER IS AS GOOD AS DEAD.

BIRDMAN'S PULLING IN AS MUCH SOLAR POWER AS HE CAN...

...AND IF IT'S SO FUNNY, WHY DO YOU KEEP STARING, JADE?

HOW'S LINDA DOING WITH THE ROBOT?

I'M TRYING NOT TO BUG HER SO SHE CAN KEEP WORKING.

AND I'VE PUT THIS OFF LONG ENOUGH...

...I'VE GOT TO CALL TY'S PARENTS AND LET THEM KNOW HE'S MISSING.

VOOP VOOP VOOOOP

A VORTEX IS DETECTED! BUT IT'S COMING FROM...

YA BOY IS BACK!

TY!

YES!! YOU'RE ALIVE!!!

WHRAHR!!!

WHERE WERE YOU--AND HOW DID YOU GET BACK?

I GOT SO LOST BUT I FOUND MY WAY BACK BECAUSE OF YOU GUYS.

HEY, BUDDY, I MISSED YOU, TOO.

TY, YOU DID IT!

HOW?

GUESS WHO CAN OPEN HIS OWN VORTEX TO WHEREVER HE WANTS NOW?

BUZZ AND I HAVE MORE GOOD NEWS. GAR... AH, FRANKIE WILL BE READY TO POWER UP WITHIN THE HOUR.

WITH COBALT LIFTING TONS OF MACHINERY AND MULTI-MAN PROVIDING ALL THE ASSISTANTS WE COULD EVER NEED, THE REPAIRS ARE DONE.

AND ME AND FLUEY GAVE MORAL SUPPORT.

I HOPE THIS IS A GOOD TIME FOR AN AWKWARD INTRO, BECAUSE WE'VE BEEN OUTSIDE EXPLAINING THINGS FOR HOURS.

TARRA? HERCS? COME ON IN.

TERRANS.

THE HERCULOIDS AND I HAVE BEEN AT WAR WITH ROBOTS SO LONG, EVEN I COULDN'T REMEMBER ONE THAT WANTED TO HELP US RATHER THAN DESTROY US.

YOU HAD THE UPPER HAND AGAINST OMNIKRON, AND WE RUINED THAT. IT IS UNFORGIVEABLE.

THERE WAS NO SERIOUS DAMAGE DONE--

--YOU SHOWED ME THE VULNERABILITIES IN MY DESIGN AND NOW I'VE BEEN ABLE TO CORRECT FOR THAT.

OMNIKRON WOULD HAVE EVENTUALLY PERMEATED THE HULL AS YOUR FRIEND DID-- A VERY CLEVER TACTIC.

WHAT AN INCREDIBLE CREATURE! A POLY-MORPH?

GLEEP'S SYMBIOTIC CELL-TWIN, ***GLOOP***, WAS ABSORBED INTO OMNIKRON--

--SO GLEEP IS FEELING A BIT LOST NOW.

EACH TIME THE WORLD KILLER APPEARS IT BRINGS HIM A BURST OF PAIN.

REALLY?

TY, THANK GOODNESS! I MEAN, ***MIGHTOR.***

DOC!

WE'VE PASSED OUR ADVICE ONTO THE U.N. AND OTHER NATIONS FOR QUICK RESPONSE TO ANY VORTEX FORMING.

NO GROUND TROOPS, ONLY REMOTE ATTACKS WITH INTENT TO BURN AS MUCH MASS OFF THE INVADER AS POSSIBLE.

OUR PROBLEM IS-- THE CREATURE IS GETTING BETTER AT FINDING LARGE POPULATIONS.

IT'S STARTING TO STICK TO THE SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE CLOSER TO THE EQUATOR, WHERE MOST PEOPLE LIVE.

IT PULLS IN MORE HUMAN THOUGHT PROCESS WITH THE PEOPLE IT ADDS. I'VE HEARD IT SPEAK AFTER DOING SO.

THAT'S TRUE; IT ADAPTS MORE TO THE HOST WORLD.

WHEN SPACE GHOST IS UP AGAIN, HE CAN EXPLAIN MORE. NO ONE KNOWS MORE ABOUT OMNIKRON THAN HIM.

I'M UP, JACE. I HEARD EVERY-THING.

SWEEK!!

SPACE GHOST!

I FINISHED HEALING EARLIER. IF THIS LOOKS LIKE I'VE BEEN SPYING ON YOU ALL... I HAVE.

IN THE PAST I'VE RACED TO A PLANET IN DANGER AND TOLD EVERYONE HOW THE SPACE FORCE FOUGHT OMNIKRON. WHAT WORKED ON IT.

YET NOTHING EVER REALLY WORKED... IT ALWAYS CAME BACK.

AS I FLOATED IN HYPERSPACE, HALF ALIVE, I REALIZED THAT AT LAST.

FOR A PLANET THAT HAS BARELY BEGUN SPACE TRAVEL, YOU'VE PUT UP AN IMPRESSIVE RESISTANCE.

SO I WANTED TO SEE WHO THESE HEROES ARE, AND WHAT YOU ALL CAN DO.

YOU GO INTO BATTLE WITH THE ARMY YOU HAVE, I BELIEVE THAT.

THIS IS WHY YOU ARE A GREAT GENERAL, DEVA SUMADI.

AND YOU ARE A NATURAL WITH A POWER BAND.

THE SPACE FORCE WOULD HAVE BEEN GLAD TO HAVE YOU.

THANKS, BUT I'LL STICK TO GUNS AND FIGHTING DIRTY.

YOU WERE THE ONE HOLDING THE ENTITY OUTSIDE OF TIME!

IT BISECTED AND TRIED TO ESCAPE TO OUR PAST.

AND IN DOING SO GAVE YOUR PLANET A CHAMPION WHO COULD FIGHT IT.

I MET THE FIRST MIGHTOR TRYING TO GET BACK HERE...HE SAID ALL THE WEIRD ANIMALS IN HIS VALLEY BROKE APART FROM OMNIKRON.

DOES THAT MEAN JOINING WITH IT ISN'T PERMANENT?

SOME CREATURES STILL KEEP THEIR MINDS FOR A WHILE, BUT AFTER ENOUGH TIME THEY BECOME OMNIKRON.

BUT THE POLYMORPH STILL HAS A CONNECTION WITH ITS OTHER INSIDE THE LIFE FORM!

AND IF IT CAN SENSE THE OTHER BLOB, IT CAN WORK THE OTHER WAY.

THAT CONNECTION ONLY HAPPENS WHEN THE MONSTER IS ON OUR PLANET.

BUT NOW MIGHTOR CAN OPEN VORTICES HIMSELF!

IS IT VORTICES OR VORTEXES?

IT DEPENDS ON IF YOU'RE A SCIENTIST, I THINK.

EXCUSE ME...

...ARE YOU PEOPLE THINKING ABOUT GOING IN THERE TO FIGHT THE SCARY THING?

NO. THE VOID IS TOO DISORIENTING FOR ANY OF US.

EVEN THOUGH ITS PRESENCE HERE ENDANGERS THE WORLD, HAVING GRAVITY AND TERRAIN WORKS IN OUR FAVOR. AND WE HAVE OTHER ADVANTAGES.

THE GIANT ROBOT, OBVIOUSLY.

IGOO IS ALSO MADE OF LIVING MINERAL AND CAN'T BE AFFECTED.

NOR CAN YOU YOUNG HEROES, FROM WHAT I HEARD.

OUR CELLS ARE MORE LIKE AN ALLOY NOW.

I GUESS THAT SAVED ME YESTERDAY.

AND YOU TWO SEEM TO EXCEL AT DESTRUCTIVE TECHNOLOGY.

I TRY.

I'LL... TAKE THAT AS A COMPLIMENT.

HEROES OF EARTH...

...I THINK WE HAVE THE MAKINGS OF A PLAN.

FASTER! FINISH LOADING THE CARRIERS!

THE ONLY REASON FEDERAL AGENTS AND THE NATIONAL GUARD HAVEN'T ALREADY COME FOR US IS BECAUSE THEY ARE ALL TOO BUSY WITH THE ALIEN MENACE!

ZIN, QUEST, AND JADE BETTER HOPE THE ALIEN GETS TO THEM BEFORE I DO.

I WILL REMOVE THEIR BRAINS AND--

NUMBER ONE, SOMETHING'S GOTTEN PAST THE DEFENSES!

ATTACK!!

VAM VAM VAM VAM

AHHHH!

AIIIIEEEE!

WHOOM

VOOM

ZZHHRSH

YAH!! RELEASE ME!

HI, NUMBER ONE. SO THIS IS YOUR SECRET U.S. BASE? NICE.

THERE IS NO TIME TO EXACT YOUR REVENGE.

BUT WE DO NEED TO PRESS YOUR AGENTS INTO SERVICE.

IF I WERE YOU, I'D AGREE. ZOK LOOKS PRETTY HUNGRY...

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...THE ORGANISM'S BODY IS NOW SEVERAL SQUARE KILOMETERS ACROSS.

AIR DEFENSES STRIKE **OMNIKRON** WHEREVER IT MANIFESTS-- THE LATEST INVASION WAS IN KARACHI, PAKISTAN.

IT ABSORBED THOUSANDS BEFORE OPENING A VORTEX FOR THE NOW-FAMILIAR PATTERN OF RETREAT AND ATTACK.

THANKS TO ALL COUNTRIES FOLLOWING INTER-NATION'S STRATEGIES TO REDUCE CASUALTIES...

...OUR TEAM OF SPECIALISTS IS PREPARING TO ENGAGE IN A FINAL PUSH TO SAVE OUR WORLD.

GRAND CANYON, ARIZONA.

I'M JONNY QUEST.

MY BROTHER HADJI AND I ARE MAKING THIS VIDEO OUR DAD ASKED US FOR...

...BECAUSE IT WOULD BE IMPORTANT TO KNOW HOW WE STOPPED THE ALIEN FORCE.

OR... HOW WE FAILED.

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THAT'S FRANKENSTEIN JR., A GIANT ROBOT BUILT BY OUR FRIEND BUZZ'S MOM. THE HERCULOIDS ARE FROM THE PLANET AMZOT.

THEY FOLLOW TARRA, WHO LEFT HER FAMILY BEHIND TO KEEP FIGHTING.

BIRDMAN IS A SOLAR-POWERED SECRET AGENT AND THE IMPOSSIBLES ARE TV STARS WITH REAL POWERS, TOO.

CLOSE OUT ALL NOISE AND **FOCUS.** THIS WILL LET YOU PUSH YOUR ABILITY BEYOND WHAT YOU KNOW.

THAT'S OUR PAL **MIGHTOR** WHO IS A BIG PART OF HOW WE'RE HOPING TO TAKE THE MONSTER DOWN.

NO PRESSURE OR ANYTHING.

BLAST INTENSITY DEPENDS ON YOUR STAMINA AND FORCE OF WILL.

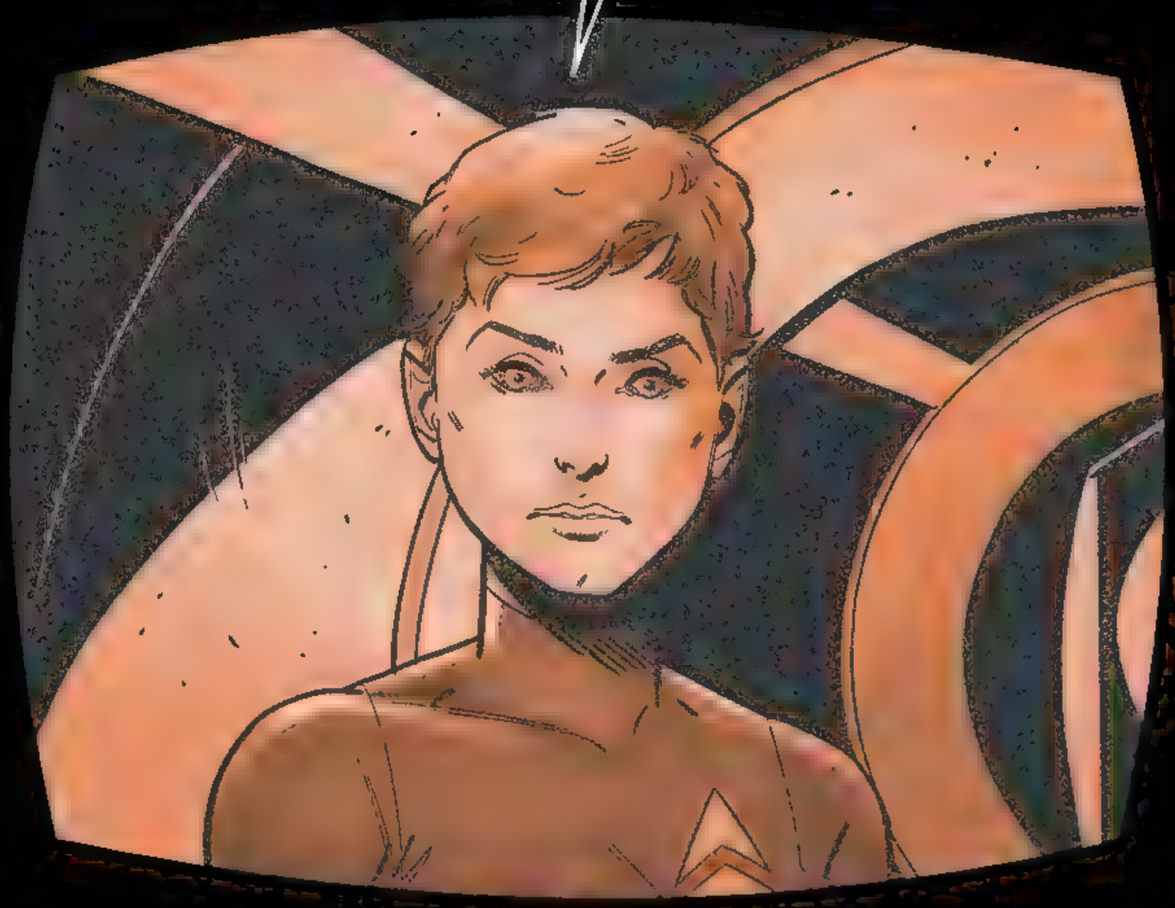
GALACTIC PROTECTOR, **SPACE GHOST.** HE HELD OMNIKRON OFF OF EARTH FOR DAYS, BY HIMSELF.

HIS TRAINEES, JAN AND JACE, GAVE US A VIDEO THAT GETS SENT OUT TO PLANETS IN OMNIKRON'S PATH.

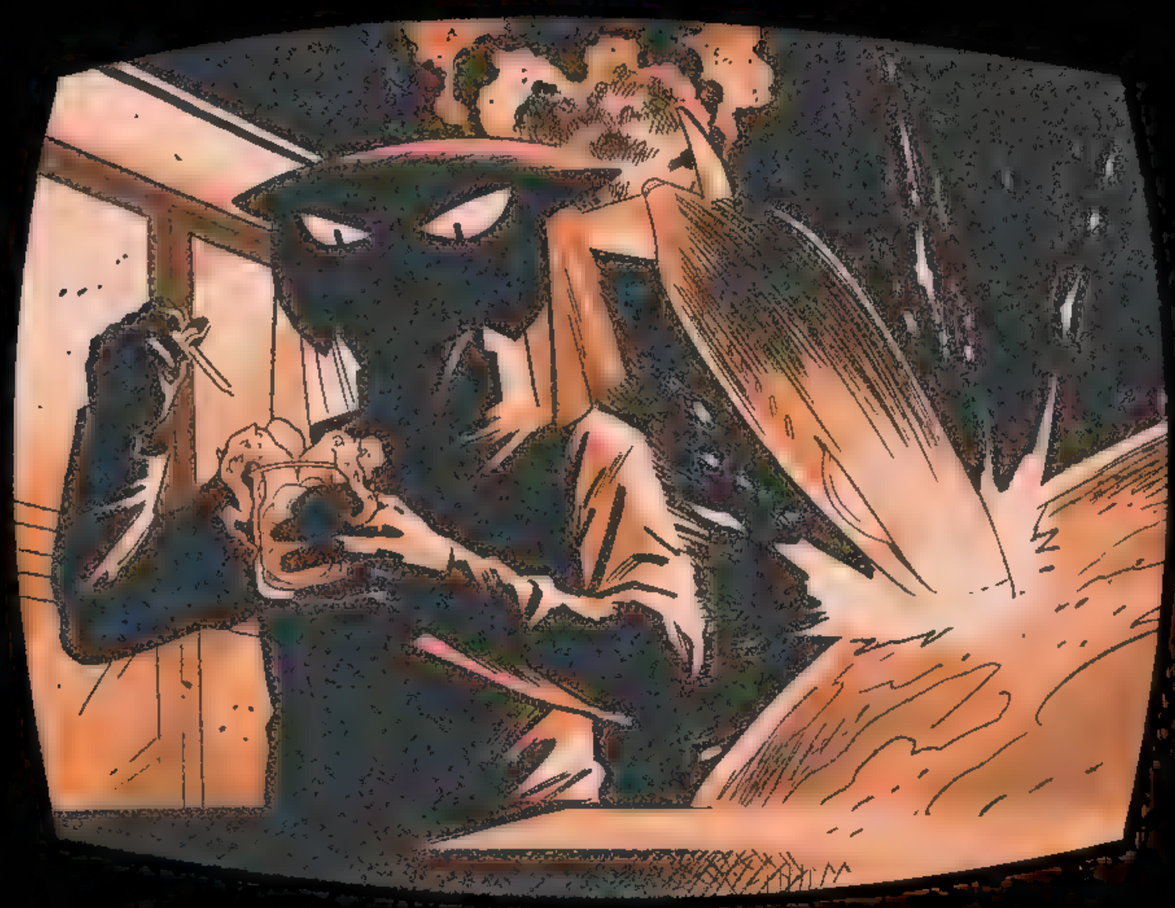
THE LIFE CYCLE OF OMNIKRON

NO ONE KNOWS PRECISELY HOW OMNIKRON CAME TO BE. SOME THINK IT IS A NATURAL MUTATION TO KEEP POPULATIONS IN CHECK.

OTHERS BELIEVE THE ENTITY WAS CREATED IN A LAB AND SPREAD FROM A CRASHED STAR CRAFT. IT BONDS WITH ORGANIC LIFE, GRADUALLY OVERWRITING EACH SPECIES' DNA SEQUENCE.



THOUGH DRIVEN BY REFLEX AND INSTINCT, IT DOES GAIN BRIEF KNOWLEDGE OF THE CREATURES IT JOINS. THIS HELPS IT FIND SPECIES THAT POSE THE GREATEST THREAT TO IT EARLY.



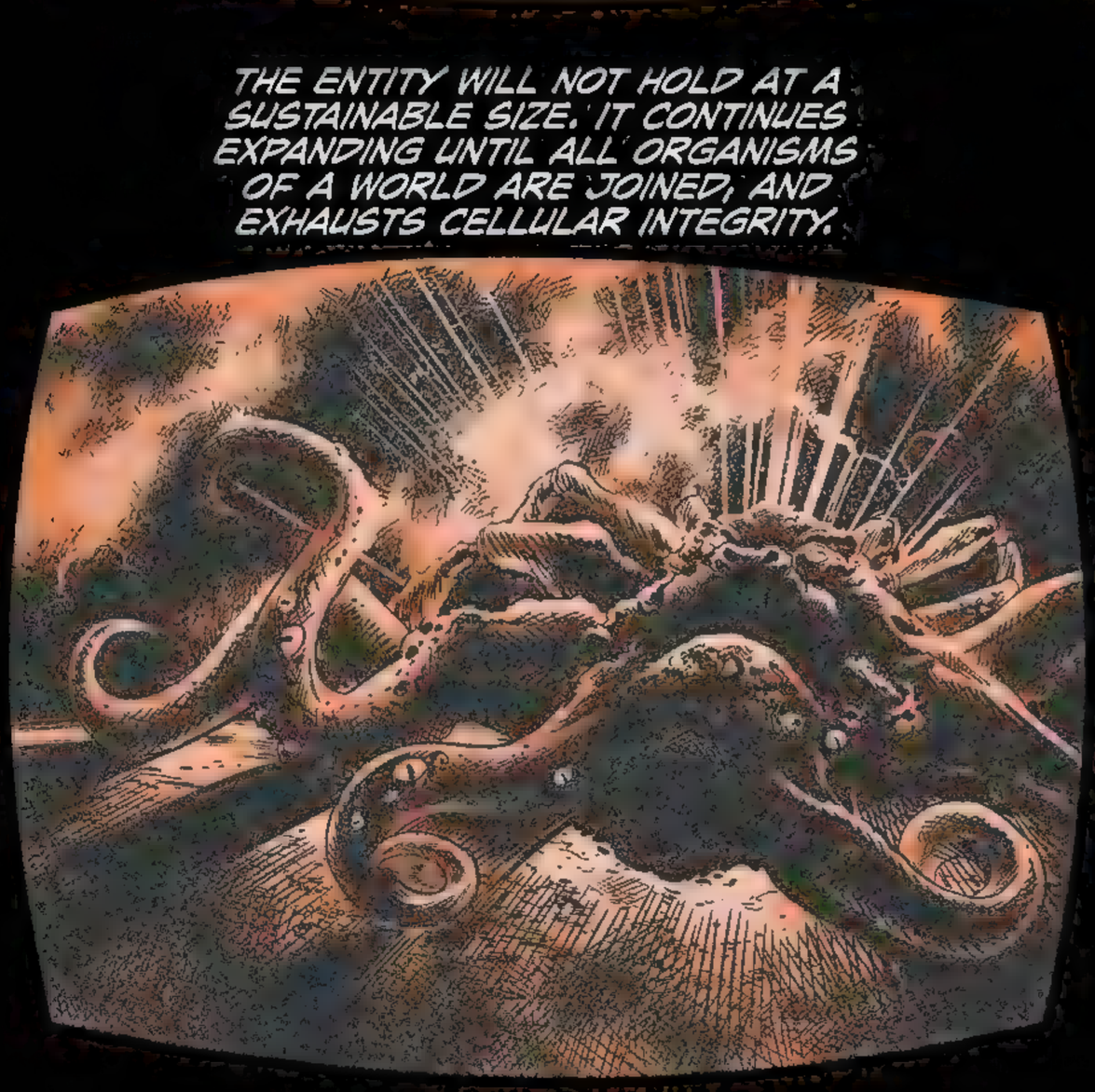
IT CREATES DIMENSIONAL VORTICES BY SACRIFICING BIO-MASS. IT OPENS SEVERAL AT FIRST TO OBSERVE, THEN TARGETS POPULATED REGIONS.

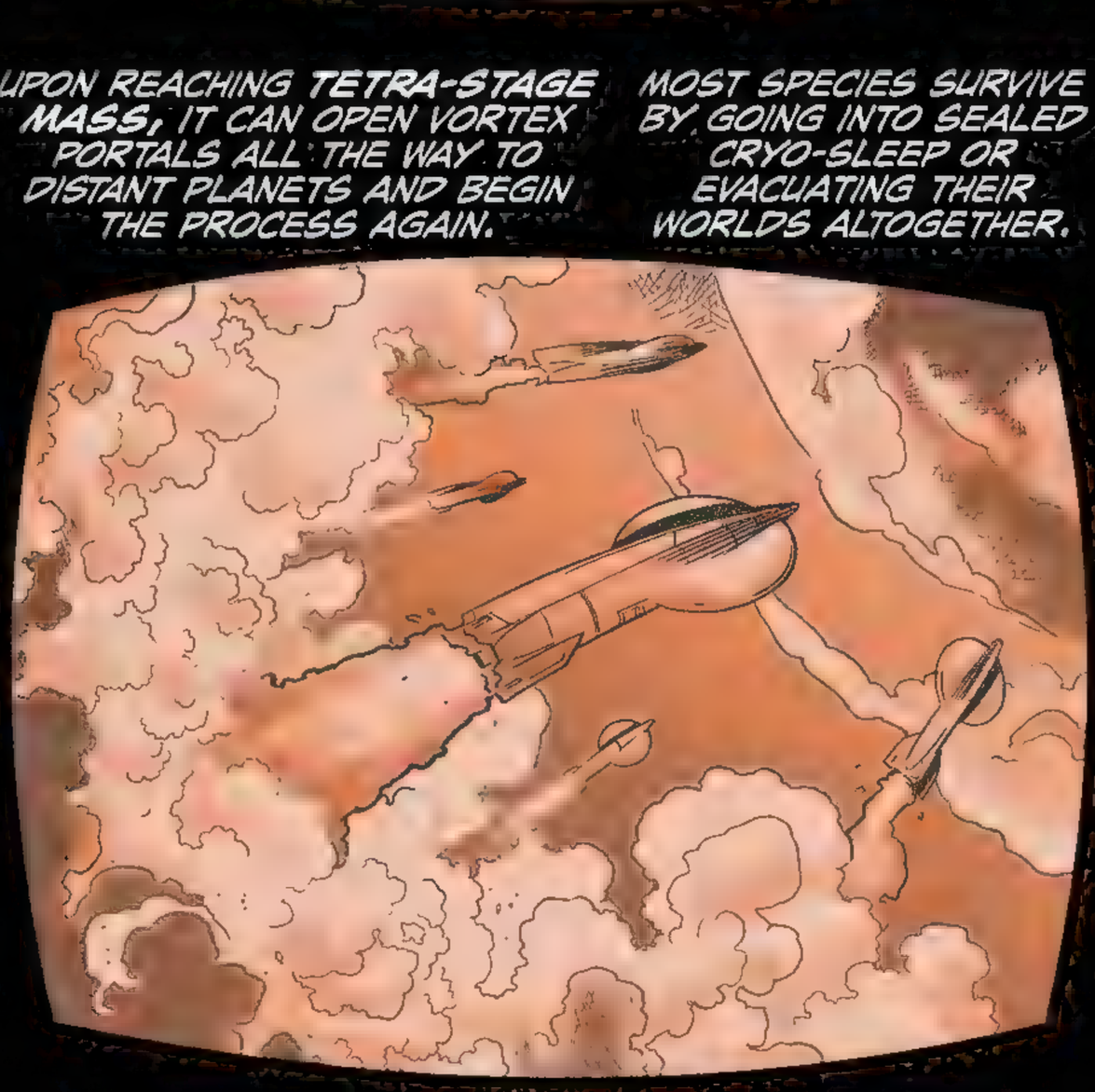
THIS KEEPS MOST PLANETS FROM MOUNTING A CONSISTENT DEFENSE AS IT MOVES AROUND A WORLD QUICKLY.

THE ENTITY WILL NOT HOLD AT A SUSTAINABLE SIZE. IT CONTINUES EXPANDING UNTIL ALL ORGANISMS OF A WORLD ARE JOINED, AND EXHAUSTS CELLULAR INTEGRITY.

UPON REACHING **TETRA-STAGE MASS**, IT CAN OPEN VORTEX PORTALS ALL THE WAY TO DISTANT PLANETS AND BEGIN THE PROCESS AGAIN.

MOST SPECIES SURVIVE BY GOING INTO SEALED CRYO-SLEEP OR EVACUATING THEIR WORLDS ALTOGETHER.





THE CREATURE HAS PHASED BACK IN!

--?, IT'S TEARING THROUGH CALCUTTA--THEY'RE BURNING IT BUT IT WON'T SLOW DOWN--

DID THAT MAN SAY IT WAS IN CALCUTTA?

WHERE HADJI IS FROM?

IT'S UNDER CONTROL. STAY CALM.

I NEED TO CHECK WITH THE THINK TANK.

WE NEED MORE TIME!

SHOULDN'T BE MUCH LONGER, GETTING THE LAST PODS IN SEQUENCE.

OR DO WE NEED TO GET STARTED NOW?

NO. TAKE YOUR TIME. IT'S OFF-WORLD AT THE MOMENT.

WE'RE ONLY GOING TO GET ONE SHOT AT THIS.

MISS SUMADI... WHY DIDN'T YOU TELL THEM THE ALIEN IS ATTACKING RIGHT NOW?

SOMETIMES WHEN YOU HAVE HORRIBLE NEWS, JONNY...

...IT'S BEST TO BEAR IT ALONE.

IF YOU RUSH IN DESPERATE AND UNPREPARED, YOU CAN LOSE IT ALL.

I'M SORRY, HAJ. I BET WE'LL GET BACK TO INDIA SOON--

IT'S NOT JUST THAT.

IT'S BECAUSE WE'RE *HERE.* YOU AND ME.

USUALLY WE HAVE TO SNEAK ALONG ON MISSIONS.

BECAUSE DAD OR RACE TRY TO PUT US SOMEWHERE SAFE. BUT THIS TIME...

...THEY BROUGHT US ALONG.

YEAH, THEY TRUST US--

NO! THAT'S NOT WHY.

IT'S BECAUSE THERE'S NOWHERE SAFER ON THE WHOLE PLANET TO PUT US.

THE DANGER CAN REACH ANYONE AT ANY TIME... EVERYWHERE.

IT'S OKAY TO BE SCARED, BOYS.

AS LONG AS YOU DON'T GIVE UP *HOPE.*

I THINK EARTH HAS A REAL CHANCE AT STOPPING OMNIKRON.

THANKS, SPACE GHOST! JAN SAID NO ONE HAS MORE EXPERIENCE FIGHTING IT THAN YOU.

THAT'S NOT WHY I'M HOPEFUL. TERRANS CAN'T FLEE TO THE STARS LIKE OTHERS HAVE DONE, SO THEY'RE PUTTING UP A ***REAL FIGHT.***

YOUR LARGE OCEANS HAVE HELPED SLOW THE CREATURE DOWN, ANOTHER PLUS.

BUT WHAT ENCOURAGES ME MOST IS SOMETHING DEVA TOLD ME.

SHE SAID ZIN AND YOUR FATHER ARE MORTAL ENEMIES.

OH YEAH.

YET THEY WORK TOGETHER FOR THIS.

THAT'S NOT SOMETHING I'VE SEEN MUCH IN THE GALAXY.

JUST LIKE THE HERCULOIDS JOINING FORCES WITH A ROBOT-- THAT WAS UNTHINKABLE BEFORE.

THAT'S THE KIND OF ACTION THAT CHANGES HISTORY.

IT'S READY.

ALL OF THOSE CONTROL PODS WILL WORK AS ONE?

THE EQUIPMENT TESTS PERFECTLY.

IT'S THE HUMAN COMPONENT THAT'S THE UNKNOWN.

GLEEP SAYS OMNIKRON HAS PHASED OUT AGAIN.

SINCE THE ENTITY BEGAN ITS CURRENT COURSE, IT STAYS OUTSIDE OF TIME-SPACE FOR A MINIMUM OF 3.4 HOURS.

WE THINK IT'S RECONSTITUTING THE MANY BEINGS IT ABSORBED, COMPOSING ITSELF BEFORE THE NEXT ATTACK.

IT MUST BE MUDDLED AFTER PULLING IN SO MANY PEOPLE... A CACOPHONY OF VOICES IN ITS MIND!

THEN IT'S BEST TO GO AFTER IT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE WHILE IT'S STILL OFF-KILTER.

AGREED. WE'RE AS READY AS WE'LL EVER GET. ANY LONGER AND IT WILL BE TOO BIG.

COORDINATION IS EVERYTHING NOW.

EVERYONE NEEDS TO SYNCHRONIZE. I HAVE TWO... THIRTEEN.

"OKAY, MIGHTOR, WHENEVER YOU'RE READY."

BORN READY... AND IT'S OPEN!

COME ON, GLEEP.

!

YOU DO?

HE SENSES GLOOP!

BIRDMAN, YOU'RE UP!

KEEP IT STEADY, MIGHTOR. I'M STARTING TO SEE TRACES OF THE CREATURE'S WAVELENGTH TRAIL.

I HAVE TO MATCH IT AS CLOSELY AS I CAN...

...AND TRACE ALONG THAT PATH WITH MY LIGHT.

YOU'RE SURE THIS DOESN'T HURT?

NOTHING HURTS GLEEP. *CONCENTRATE,* FRIEND!

I'VE KEPT ALL THINGS MECHANICAL FROM YOU, BUT TODAY IS DIFFERENT.

WE HAVE TO TRY TO MAKE A *CIRCUIT.*

WE'RE GETTING CLOSER. THE TRAIL IS STRONGER.

HOPE WE HAVE SOMETHING FOR OMNIKRON TO SEE WHEN I REACH IT.

WE WILL. STAND BY, MULTI. IT ALL HAS TO HAPPEN FAST.

IF I UNDERSTAND THE PLAN, BIRDMAN IS MAKING WHAT DAD CALLED A *"SENSORY TUNNEL,"* LIKE THE ONE THE MONSTER USES TO FIND PEOPLE.

AND OUR JELLY FRIEND THERE WILL CONNECT WITH IT, MAKE IT FEEL LIKE IT'S ALREADY PARTWAY HERE.

IT'S A LURE, BOYS.

"NOW WE HAVE TO SEE IF IT WILL TAKE THE BAIT."

WE HAVE A CLEAR CONNECTION--

--READY TO SEND THE VISUAL FROM THE CANYON!

NOW, MULTI-MAN, AS FAR AS YOU CAN GO!

"MULTIPLY!"

WOW, IT IS SO CROWDED HERE IN CANYON COUNTRY!

THERE'S NOWHERE TO MOVE. BOY, ARE WE A BUNCH OF SITTING DUCKS.

I GUESS WE'RE OKAY AS LONG AS SOME GROSS GIANT PARASITE DOESN'T COME HERE AND TRY TO BOND ALL OF US INTO A BIG BLOB OF YUCK!

THAT WOULD BE PRETTY HORRIBLE ALL RIGHT!

LA DA DAAA DEE DAAH...

IS IT WORKING?

LET ME PUT IT THIS WAY...

...RUN!

EVERYONE TAKE POSITIONS! IT WAS FASTER THAN WE EXPECTED!

I CAN'T BELIEVE IT-- IT'S FILLING UP THIS WHOLE END OF THE GRAND CANYON!

PROPS TO MULTI--HE LOOKED MORE DELICIOUS THAN I WOULD HAVE GIVEN HIM CREDIT FOR!

THE DRONES BETTER BE AT FULL CAPACITY, NUMBER ONE.

MY MEN DID OUR PART. IT'S *YOUR* DESIGN, ZIN!

MINE, ACTUALLY.

CLANK CLANK CLANK CLANK CLANK CLANK

CLANK CLANK CLANK CLANK

TAKE POSITION...

...SET EYES TO FULL HEAT...

...FIRE!

YEAH! YOU WALKED RIGHT INTO IT LIKE A CHUMP!

KEEP SPREADING THE ATTACK, MIGHTOR-- IF WE HIT TOO HARD IN ONE PLACE IT WILL OPEN A VORTEX TOO SOON.

AND YOU HAVE TO BE READY WHEN IT DOES!

JAN AND JACE! PUSH THE *METEOR SMASHER* TO ITS LIMIT!

WILL DO, SPACE GHOST!

SPACE FORCE OF EARTH, REPORT!

RACE HERE! WE'RE TAKING THE NORTH END TO HOLD IT DOWN IN THE CANYON!

IT'S HEMMED IN. THIS WOULD BE THE PERFECT PLACE TO CARPET BOMB.

NO! IT WOULD RETREAT TOO FAST.

RIGHT! SMALLER ATTACKS IN FAR POINTS KEEP IT FROM CONSOLIDATING THOUGHT...

...IT ACTS LIKE SEVERAL BEINGS INSTEAD OF ONE.

IN POSITION AND HOLDING, SPACE GHOST.

I'LL DO COMMUNICATIONS SO FRANKIE CAN CONCENTRATE ON FIGHTING!

WE'RE IN LUCK! THE PASS IS NARROW HERE. FRANKIE CAN WORK WITH THIS!

REMEMBER, BUZZI, YOU'RE THERE FOR EMERGENCY MAINTENANCE--

--IF ANYTHING GOES WRONG, YOU EJECT!

I LOVE YOU!

AW, MOM...

NOW THE CRUCIAL PART. HOPE THE LAST TEAM IS UNDERWAY.

IT IS!

WOW!

IGOO BARRA KU-NOK!

IGOO HAS A LOT OF FERROUS PROPERTIES IN HIM. FLYING THE CAR WAS HARDER!

GLEEP SAYS TO HEAD THAT WAY!

THANKS AGAIN TO DR. QUEST FOR PUTTING ANTIGRAV ON OUR RIDE, BY THE WAY.

MULTI SENDS THE THUMBS-UP. HE MADE IT OUT OF THE CANYON BEFORE THE OMNICRUD LANDED!

GLOOP-- WHAT'S LEFT OF HIM--IS NEAR THE NERVE CENTER.

IT'S SOMEWHERE CLOSE NOW.

NOW IGOO HAS TO LEAD THE WAY.

EASY ENOUGH. GET READY, BIG GUY.

LET ME GET OUT OF THE WAY FIRST, ESME!

FOLLOW THAT ROCK-APE!

LIKE A KNIFE THROUGH JELL-O!

OKAY, I'M CLOSING THE TOP NOW. GET IN, COBALT!

STAY CLOSE BEHIND IGOO, COIL-- HE'S GOING TO BUSHWHACK OUR PATH. *BLOB-WHACK?*

WAH-ROOOO!!

KFOOOOMM

WE'RE IN, AND PUSHING TOWARD THE CORE.

WE COULD FOLLOW, FIRE INTO THE CORE-- LIKE THE SPACE FORCE DID ON VORANOVA!

AS THE HUMANS SAY: NOPE.

IF WE MISS EVEN ONE SMALL PART OF THE CORE, IT WILL ALL COME BACK AGAIN.

NOTHING LIKE THIS PLAN HAS EVER BEEN TRIED BEFORE.

ARE WE CLOSE TO IT?

ONA MOKTA, IGOO!

BRAH!

YES-- LOOK! THAT'S GLOOP MOVING INSIDE THE BEAST--HE'S LEADING IGOO NOW!

WHAM

AH!

AT LEAST IT CAN'T ABSORB YOU THREE.

IT CAN STILL BITE, SUFFOCATE OR CRUSH US!

IT'S SLOWING THE CAR DOWN! WE'RE GETTING SEPARATED!

GRAHF!

THANK YOU, OLD FRIEND!

EVEN IGOO IS SLOWING DOWN NOW...

BUT LOOK-- UP AHEAD!

THIS HAS TO BE IT-- *THE CORE!*

THE ORIGINAL PART OF OMNIKRON-- THE CLOSEST THING TO OUR BRAINS THAT IT HAS.

I CAN *FEEL* IT INSIDE, LIKE A WAVE OF DREAD WASHING THROUGH ME.

THIS IS IT, GANG. COBALT, GET READY--COIL, LIFT THE GLASS.

MAKING MY FLUID FORM AS DENSE AS I CAN-- ***NO JOKES, COIL.*** COBALT, YOU HAVE TO SHOOT THE POD THROUGH ME SO THEY DON'T GET IN!

STAY CLEAR, EVERYONE... ABOUT TO SLAM TWO LIKE POLES TOGETHER...

...***NOW!***

CHOOM

SHLLRK

IT'S IN! YOU DID IT!!

THE CONTROLLER POD IS ATTACHED!

GOOD! NOW WE HAVE TO FOCUS ON GIVING THE SAME DIRECTIVES.

OUR THREE MINDS WITH THE AMPLIFICATION OF THE SEVENTY CONTROLLERS SHOULD BE ABLE TO BRING IT INTO OUR COMMAND.

WE FOCUS ON KEEPING OMNIKRON FROM RETREATING.

YES. WE HOLD IT IN THE CANYON AND LET THE ROBOT AND SPACE GHOST'S TEAM GO FULL POWER ON IT.

IN THREE, I'M ENGAGING THE CEREBRAL WAVE.

THREE.

TWO.

"ONE."

YRAWEAAAAAHHHRR

IT'S CONVULSING-- THEY'VE FIRED UP THE CONTROLLER!

READY TO INCINERATE, BUZZ.

NOT YET, FRANKIE! IT'S NOT COMING UNDER CONTROL...

WE'VE LOST GLOOP-- OMNIKRON IS ASSIMILATING ALL MINDS!

"...AND OUR TEAM IS STILL INSIDE IT!"

WHY ISN'T IT WORKING?!

I CAN'T SEE IGOO ANYMORE!

BIG D! SOMEBODY PLEASE ADVISE!

GROUND TEAM, THIS IS THE PHANTOM CRUISER--WHAT'S HAPPENING DOWN THERE?

CAN'T-- CAN'T--

AAAAK--

DAD!

HADJI, IT DIDN'T WORK!!!

--IKRON IS-- BREAKING-- THROUGH--

IMPOSSIBLES, PING YOUR LOCATION!

--...--

GROUND TEAM! OMNIKRON IS *NOT* UNDER CONTROL!

MY UNIT ISN'T WORKING!

ZIN, QUEST, ARE YOU IN?

--NEVER MEANT TO--

--ELLEN...

DAD?

AIR TEAM, FOLLOW ME! WE HAVE TO BURN THROUGH TO BRING OUT THE IMPOSSIBLES!

READY!

GOOD, SOMETHING THAT TAKES MORE SKILL THAN SHOOTING AN OCEAN.

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CAN WE HELP?

COME ON, TAKE CONTROL... WHAT'S IT DOING TO YOU?

YOU'VE FORGOTTEN OUR DEAL, ZIN.

GIVE US ZARATHUSTRA!

I CAN'T-- WE'RE SO CLOSE!

WHEN IT'S DONE I CAN PAY YOU BACK FOR EVERY-THING--

IF *WE* CAN'T HAVE IT, NEITHER WILL YOU.

BENTON! ELLEN!

CONROYS! *SOMEONE* PICK UP!

YOU HAVE TO *GET OUT* OF THE BASE, THEY'VE--

ELLEN! ELLEN, CAN YOU *HEAR* ME?!

DOCTOR, YOU HAVE TO COME WITH US.

MY WIFE... SHE'S... IN THERE...

I'M SORRY, I DIDN'T KNOW...

THEY'RE GETTING CEREBRAL FEEDBACK; IT'S USING THEIR OWN MINDS TO FIGHT THEIR CONTROL.

I'M GOING TO HAVE TO TRY IT.

ALONE? DAD SAID THAT WOULD BE *TOO HARD* FOR ONE PERSON!

NO CHOICE, BOYS, TOO MUCH AT S--

MOM! CAN YOU *HEAR* ME?!

FRANKIE AND I NEED HELP!

THE MONSTER IS HITTING US WITH SOME ENERGY...

...FRANKIE'S NOT RESPONDING!

BUZZ, I'M HERE! TALK TO ME. DESCRIBE IT MORE!

WARNING

WHATEVER IS SHOOTING AT US IS KEEPING FRANKIE'S BRAIN OFFLINE!

THEY'RE SYNAPTIC PULSES. THEY CAN PASS THROUGH THE HULL!

WARNING

JUST LISTEN TO ME! DO EVERYTHING I TELL YOU!

WAIT, WHAT ABOUT THE CONTROLLER?

IT'S IN!

PROTECT TARRA AND GLEEP!

COVERING HER! BUT HOW CAN WE GET OUT?!

THERE'S TOO MUCH. WE CAN'T--

=AHK--=

FSSSSSSSSHHHHHHH

FSSSSSSSSHZZZSHHH

WE'RE CLOSE. LOWER YOUR BEAMS!

YES!

THANK YOU, MR. GHOST-- WHEW.

TAKING US OUT!

WAIT, THERE'S IGOO! HE'S STILL IN HERE!

IGOO!

GO AHEAD, I'LL GET YOUR FRIEND!

DON'T NEED TO TELL ME TWICE-- PUNCHIN' IT!

HEY, BIG GUY! THIS HOLE IS GOING TO CLOSE UP QUICKLY! READY FOR A RIDE OUT?

GUNA KI MALO!

I DON'T UNDERSTAND. WHAT ARE YOU--

GRAHK!

SHLORK

GLOOP.

...NOW CONNECT THE CYBERCORTEX THROUGH SYSTEM G7. WE'LL LOSE FLIGHT, BUT I DON'T THINK IT'S NEEDED NOW.

WAIT, WAIT, ALMOST GOT IT...

...OKAY!

THAT DID IT, MOM! FRANKIE'S MIND IS RECONNECTING-- I CAN EVEN SEE IT.

YOUR FATHER DESIGNED THAT NEURAL NET, BUZZ. HE MAPPED IT ALL TO HIS OWN BRAIN.

IN A WAY, HE'S WITH YOU NOW.

I'M READY TO ROCK, BUZZ!

BOOM! ENTERTAINMENT

SKWEEEEEEEE

EEEEEEEE KWEEEEEEEEE

SKRAAAWK!

THE CONTROLLER PLAN FAILED!

OUR ONLY CHANCE IS TO DESTROY IT ALL HERE IN THE CANYON!

IF WE CAN CUT IT IN HALF...

IT MAY HAVE TROUBLE MAKING A VORTEX!

GIVIN' IT EVERYTHING I GOT!

WE'RE WORKING FROM THE OTHER SIDE TO MEET YOU, SPACE GHOST!

SOME OF THE SPIDER BOTS ARE STARTING TO RUN LOW ON POWER...

GIVE ME AN *A* BECAUSE I'M GOOD AT DIVISION!

NO! LOOK DOWN, THROUGH THE STEAM!

I CAN SEE THE ENERGY ALREADY...

IT'S ALREADY OPENING A VORTEX--UNDER ITSELF!

IT DID THAT BACK IN THE DESERT, RIGHT INTO THE GROUND!

SO IT CAN LET GRAVITY BRING IT THROUGH. WE'RE TOO LATE!

NOPE.

I CAN OPEN THOSE THINGS NOW... AND I'M GOING TO CLOSE IT!

IT'S SO BIG... FEEL LIKE IT'S GOING TO...

...PULL ME IN...

MIGHTOR'S BARELY KEEPING OMNIKRON FROM ESCAPING. WE HAVE TO HIT IT WITH ALL WE'VE GOT!

GOT THAT, FRANKIE? WE HAVE TO USE EVERYTHING MOM BUILT INTO YOU.

RIGHT, BUZZ.

THIS MEANS WAR.

LOOK AT FRANKENSTEIN JR. GO!

BUT TY LOOKS FINISHED-- JONNY, WE'VE GOT TO DO SOMETHING!

WE'RE GOING TO.

BUT DAD AND ZIN COULDN'T--

HADJI, DAD SAYS YOU HAVE THE MOST DISCIPLINED MIND OF ALL OF US.

AND I'M HARD-HEADED.

WE'RE IN! BUT HOW ARE YOU SUPPOSED TO WORK THE CONTROLLER?

IT FEELS LIKE WE SHOULD GO FORWARD!

THERE ARE SO MANY CREATURES IN HERE, BUT WE'RE LOOKING FOR OMNIKRON'S ORIGINAL MIND.

IT'S HORRIBLE. IT FEELS LIKE REALIZING YOU'RE IN A NIGHT-MARE...

NO, NOT AGAIN--

AMMA! APPA!!

COME BACK!!

I NEED TO GO HELP HER-- SHE'S *IN THERE!!*

MOM!

...MY BROTHER.

JONNY! YOU WEREN'T HERE. HOW...?

I CAN... NO. NO.

I NEED TO GET...

IT'S USING OUR FEARS AGAINST US!

RIGHT, BUT WE CAN GET THROUGH IT, CAN'T WE?

YES. **YES!** I'M READY TO FOCUS.

HEY! YOU JUST MADE IT ALL CHANGE-- I THINK WE'RE HERE!

YES-- IT WAS TRYING TO PUSH US AWAY FROM THIS POINT.

WE NEED TO BE INSIDE THE CENTER.

WE HAVE IT, JONNY.

ALL IT THINKS IS *SURVIVE* AND *JOIN*.

NOW TO MAKE IT ***STOP***.

AH!

IS THIS REALLY HAPPENING? IT'S LEAVING ME ALONE!

YOU CAN THANK YOUR FRIENDS, MIGHTOR.

JONNY AND HADJI HAVE THE CREATURE UNDER CONTROL.

THEY... *DID IT.*

GREAT WORK, BOYS!

DO WE DESTROY THE CORE NOW?

NO. THAT WAS THE PLAN, BUT IT DIDN'T WORK FOR THE SPACE FORCE.

THE SMALLEST PART OF IT CAN REGROW IF MISSED.

THEN WE *WON'T* LEAVE ANYTHING.

MIGHTOR, YOU CAN CONTROL WHERE THE VORTEX OPENS NOW!

THAT'S *RIGHT,* I CAN.

I JUST HAVE TO *PICTURE* THE PLACE.

WHAT I LOOK AT LATE AT NIGHT FROM MY GRANDPARENTS' YARD.

"THE STARS."

YOU DID IT! IT'S FROZEN INERT!

IT COULD STILL FALL BACK TO EARTH. SOME PART MIGHT SURVIVE REENTRY.

JAN AND JACE, FOLLOW ME!

LOCK ON TOW BEAM-- PREPARE FOR HYPER-SPEED!

LOCKING ON, SPACE GHOST.

GREAT JOB, KIDS!

HOW DID YOU MANAGE TO CONTROL OMNIKRON?

AS I TELL EVERYONE, THESE TWO HAVE WAY MORE ON THE BALL THAN I EVER DID.

MY GUYS!

THEY'RE CLEAR OF PURPOSE IN THE WAY ONLY CHILDREN CAN BE.

WITHOUT THE DEMONS WE ADULTS HOLD ONTO TOO LONG.

SOME-THING'S COMING UP FROM THE CANYON!

BOOM BOOM

DON'T WORRY, TEAM, IT'S ONLY ME AND BUZZ.

BUZZ! AND *FRANKIE.*

MY BOYS.

F.E.A.R.'S NUMBER ONE GOT AWAY DURING THE BATTLE.

SAME WITH ZIN--

--BUT HE COULD GET A PARDON FOR THE WORK HE DID HERE.

JADE BUGGED OUT, TOO. SHE DOESN'T TAKE CHANCES LIKE THAT.

UNA GRAH GLOOP.

!GOO, *NO!* NOT ONE BIT CAN BE LEFT!

STAND BACK, I'LL DISINTEGRATE IT!

HOLD ON-- THE POLYMORPH MAY BE ABLE TO DO SOME-THING!

!!

GLOOP! YOU'RE BACK!

LOOK WHO ELSE IS BACK!
MEETING ALIENS WAS MAYBE THE COOLEST PART.
OR NOT GETTING KILLED.
IT'S DONE.
TODAY YOU ALL DID THE IMPOSSIBLE... OMNIKRON IS FINALLY FINISHED.
IN THE END IT TOOK EVERYONE USING OUR MIGHT AND MINDS.
AND NOW WE HAVE FRIENDS CLEAR ACROSS THE GALAXY!
SPEAKING OF THE IMPOSSIBLE...
...THERE REALLY CAN BE PEACE IN THE GALAXY.
PRRRR...
WOOK OOK!
I'D LIKE TO SEE MORE OF EARTH--
--BUT WE NEED TO GET BACK WITH THIS NEWS. SEVERAL PLANETS ARE WAITING TO HEAR.
I'M SURE THEY ARE.
CAN TY OPEN A VORTEX DIRECTLY THERE?
HE CAN'T VISUALIZE THE OTHER END, BUT I CAN HELP HIM FIND THEIR TRAILS BACK.
WE BETTER GET ROLLING THEN. I THINK THE HERCULOIDS HAD A HARD TIME FINDING FOOD THEY LIKE.
ALL ABOARRRRD..

OUR INTERPLANETARY ALLIES HAVE RETURNED TO THEIR HOMES TO SPREAD THE WORD OF WHAT HAPPENED HERE ON EARTH TODAY.

LIKE US, THEY LOST MANY IN THE ATTACKS...

...BUT WE HAVE ALL BEEN BROUGHT TOGETHER FOR A CAUSE GREATER THAN ANY ONE OF US.

AND, PERHAPS, A WAY FORWARD.

THIS FOOTAGE PROVIDED BY OUR ALLIES SHOWS OMNIKRON DROPPED INTO THE SUN...

WOOOO!!!

SHOW IT AGAIN! *AGAIN!*

THIS HAS BEEN ON EVERY NETWORK ALL DAY!

"FALCON 7" HEAD OF INTER-NATION SECURITY

WE FINALLY GOT TO BE SECRET AGENTS AND NOW IT'S NOT SECRET.
IT'D BE WEIRD DOING THE SHOW NOW...
THEN WE CAN PUSH AHEAD WITH THE BAND!
HEY, BIG D, WHEN DO WE GET TO MEET FALCON 7?
SEALAB 2020
BE PATIENT. EVEN BIRDMAN HASN'T MET HIM.
EXCEPT... I HAVE.
HUH?
WHY WOULD YOU SAY--
I'VE WATCHED HIS MESSAGES ENOUGH TO REALIZE THEY REPEAT. WITH NEW DIALOGUE DIGITALLY INSERTED.
YOUR DIALOGUE.
EAGLE EYE, RAY.
I BUILT THE AGENCY FROM THE GROUND UP, BUT I CAN'T GIVE UP FIELD OPS.
I'M GLAD YOU KNOW. I DIDN'T LIKE KEEPING IT FROM YOU.
SEE? THAT WASN'T AS HARD AS US ALL EXPLAINING TO TY'S PARENTS THAT HE TURNS INTO A SUPER-POWERED ADULT.
NO. AND THEY SEEM TO BE ADJUSTING WELL.

GUYS, DID I DREAM ALL THIS?

IF YOU DID, TY, WE DREAMED IT WITH YOU.

AS SCARY AS ALL THIS WAS, I'M GLAD TO HAVE MY FRIEND BACK.

I'M GLAD TO HAVE A LOT OF NEW FRIENDS.

HERE...

...AND OUT THERE.

THE END

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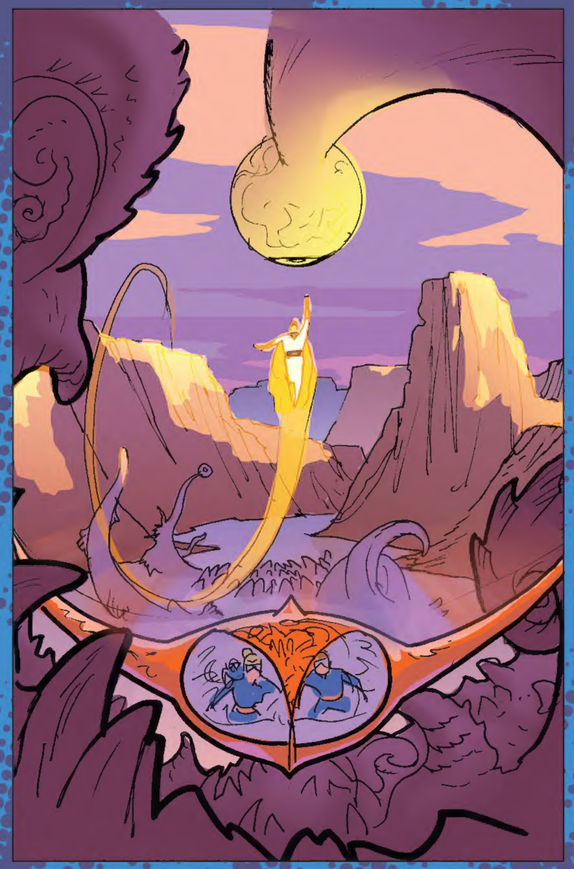

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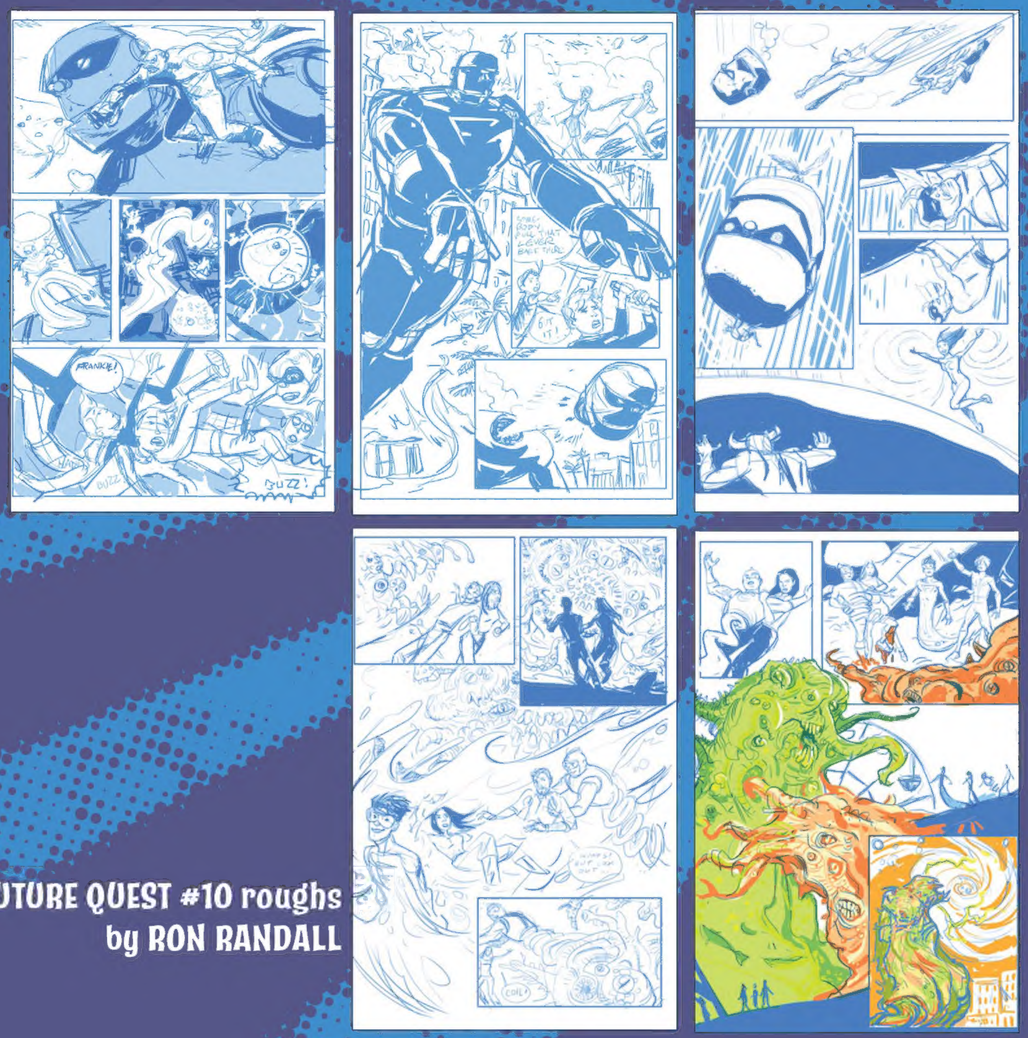

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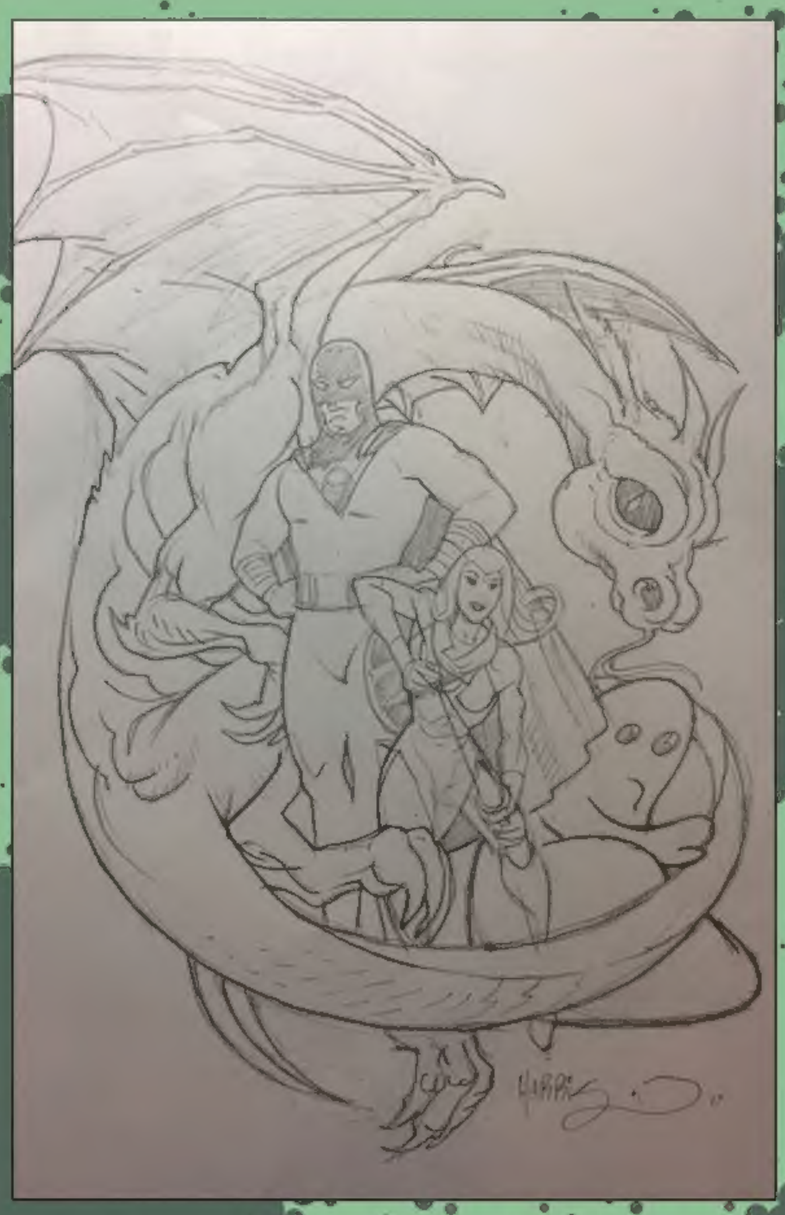

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